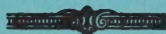


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Monday, August 16

1. New England Yearly Meeting of Friends, convened August 16, 1976, in its annual session at Wheaton College, Norton, Massachusetts, for its 316th year.

2. "The Cost of Quakerism," Dwight Wilson has told us, mounts as "I try to live my life as I should, not as I want to." Recalling the key concepts of Quakerism over three centuries, he calls Friends to "come out of the past, as glorious as that was," and apply our energies to present needs, whether of blacks, women, or in new ways of non-violent behavior. We have asserted that all things are sacred; we need to develop a radical, all-encompassing lifestyle. We have won legal rights for conscientious objectors to physical violence and have only begun to deal with psychological violence. With the Puritans we emphasized simplicity at the expense of the arts, and need to learn how to remove only those embellishments which obscure the light. Growth in numbers results from spiritual growth in community. "Friends, catch fire," he concludes, "or be consumed by earth's fire."

The presiding clerk notes that Reginald Reynolds's edition, *Wisdom of John Woolman*, illustrates these simple, profound truths.

Tuesday, August 17

3. A minute from Perth Regional Meeting commending Margaret Roberts, clerk of Australia Yearly Meeting, is received with a grateful welcome, as she opens the subject of "Christ-creativity: discipleship with Jesus," in a series of five Bible Half-Hours. Unless you come to the Bible having found something in your soul first, she says, it consists of mere stories.

4. We welcome from overseas Linley Gregory, New Zealand Yearly Meeting, active in Young Friends' work; Leo Menka, Sydney Regional Meeting membership secretary and manager of a Friends' book store for Australia Yearly Meeting; Robert Leach, Geneva Monthly Meeting, Switzerland, Jean Leach, Felicity Leach, and David Leach, all sojourning this summer on Nantucket; Clarence and Marjorie Dolling, Finchley Preparative Meeting, London Yearly Meeting.

From Philadelphia Yearly Meeting: Edwin A. Sanders, Betty and Howard Bartram, and E. Raymond Wilson; Indiana Yearly Meeting: Lorton Heusel; Western Yearly Meeting: Grace and Walter Bibler.

5. Virginia Towle has called attention to the printed report of the Committee on Ministry and Counsel, of work carried out mainly by less than half of its members.

MINISTRY AND COUNSEL COMMITTEE

The Ministry and Counsel Committee has planned gatherings at the Yearly Meeting level for those who are "Single Again," and other gatherings on such topics as Building Enduring Relationships, Raising Children Responsibly in a Violent Society, to share in retreats, in Marriage Enrichment discussions, and meetings. These gatherings have been enduring growth experiences and well attended. During the last few years, we have developed a pattern of the whole committee meeting for a weekend in September, a full day in the winter and early summer, and a shorter session in the spring.

We have noticed a lessening of attendance in Spiritual Retreats at the Yearly Meeting level, but an increased number of Retreats at the Quarterly and Monthly Meeting level. Of the two Yearly Meeting Retreats this past year, one was cancelled, the other poorly attended. The Committee next year will change its retreat focus—two retreats are expected to be planned, the first is a change from a weekend spiritual retreat to a midweek one, recognizing some have felt a greater call to be with their home meeting on First Day yet a need to participate in a spiritual renewal; the second may be a "Silent Retreat" to respond to the busyness of our lives and to experience the Divine Presence for a focused time longer than the usual Meeting for Worship.

The Sub-Committee on Marriage and Family Life has prepared the first draft of a Handbook for Meetings—of advices and queries for Friends Meetings and individuals. The Handbook is for those who have chosen a commitment to marriage as the way in which they can grow spiritually, personally and in community, and for Meetings as they seek to nurture this commitment. We reaffirm marriage and give support to Meetings to take affirmative action to support marriage and to prevent the death of marriages. Friends are not immune to the changes in the wider society where there are fewer people getting married, where there is one divorce for every two marriages, fewer divorced people remarrying, and over two fifths of persons over 65 living alone, many of them widows. We believe that our Monthly Meeting Ministry and Counsel Committees must help build shared relationships, a spirit of community, and most of all to help individual members in their spiritual journeys in becoming more illumined in their search for the Light Within.

STATE OF SOCIETY

NEW ENGLAND YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS

This year the reports from our meetings speak of the increasing sense of the presence of God amongst us, whether in vocal ministry or "in the pure silence of all flesh." As we move through this time of perplexity and struggle our realization of divine guidance often seems to lie more in the future than in the present. There is among Friends a brooding awareness of a general "search for an island of security in a world which seems to be quicksand." The problems of dwindling numbers, dependence upon a few leaders, and a diversity of priorities continue to plague many meetings.

We strive for simplicity, yet feel ourselves far from achieving it. Our social actions are often individual rather than corporate meeting endeavors. However, several meetings have been concerned about world hunger and some are responding by growing vegetables to share with people in need, while others are aiding with money more distant projects. Not all Friends feel keenly how far short we fall of the great goals of abolition of war and injustice. The

tide of social unrest laps at our doorsteps. Our affluence is painfully apparent. We play at sharing, write our protests to racial, economic and ethnic inequalities, and demonstrate in the streets—all in the security of our protected neighborhoods. Yet despite discouragement and confusion the struggle continues in the faith that: "There is that near you which will guide you. O wait for it and be sure ye keep to it." Though we may not yet have found that pure principle, we continue to seek it.

Repeatedly the reports show a consciousness of the dear love of God for us, our concern with the weakness with which we reflect that love to our fellow men and women and the sweetness of our love for each other. They note, too, the keenness of the hurt at the intrusion of friction and strife in our meetings. Our large meetings speak of the difficulty of encompassing so many in a caring fellowship responsive to the needs of all. One of our foremost concerns this year has been means by which meetings can nurture family life and nurture individuals who are without families. Our lives are invaded, either by personal experience or by implication, with marital, sexual and emotional conflict. And we note, "While courageously beginning a search for the real questions that need to be asked about the formulation and dissolution of loving relationships, we have also easily laid down that searching."

The reports of our corporate weakness and the smallness of our humanity are both beautiful and humbling to read. There is a continuing need to consider how our children can feel more a part of the meeting and to encourage them to participate in Friends' activities. While some meetings report successful First Day Schools, we wonder why, as our youths grow up, they leave the Society. Maintaining and beautifying the meetinghouse is a concern for several meetings; and often these buildings are open for use by neighborhood groups. Many meetings have sought by study, discussion, retreats and worship-sharing to strengthen their Quaker roots. The strength of our meetings is at a center where a faithful core actively seeks guidance and catches glimpses of the Light.

Whether we are at this time more timid and retiring, or more preoccupied by our agendas in the home and in the meeting, the hiatus in political activism noted nationally is clearly shared by Friends. We generally acknowledge less involvement with the struggle to mitigate the dehumanizing effects of our civilization.

After reading the year's compilation of New England Monthly Meetings' reports on the spiritual state of the Society, three queries present themselves, the first direct from a monthly meeting.

Query: "Apart from specific activities, to what extent is it clear—to ourselves, to non-Friends—that we are led to act as we do because we are Friends?"

Query: Do we too readily explain and accept the manifest inadequacy of our witness to the testimonies of Friends?

Query: Is our present concern for spiritual growth in its proper place as our contribution to God's great hopes for mankind?

The power of the Spirit does move us individually and in our meetings; the Inner Light does illumine our lives in mysterious and miraculous ways to sustain, heal, and inspire. We continue in a myriad of ways to be aware of and blessed by this beneficent and guiding Presence and give prayerful thanks.

6. We unite in recognizing the urgency of the concern of Sandwich Quarterly Meeting to spread information about Friends, and ask the Committee on Ministry and Counsel to give it priority during the coming year. Elmer Brown reminds us of the call to answer seekers everywhere. Robert Leach points to George Selleck's example in demonstrating on Nantucket that its Quaker spirit lives.

7. We refer the minutes from Cambridge and Dover Monthly Meeting on nuclear power plants to the Committee on Peace and Social Concerns.

8. The Epistle of France Yearly Meeting held at Pentecost 1975, at Charbonnieres, emphasizes its concern for the forgotten victims of conflict.

9. Paul Gardescu has introduced the new director of the New England Friends Home, Harry Barron, who has been working there with his wife, Edith, for three years.

NEW ENGLAND FRIENDS HOME

The New England Friends Home at Hingham continues to provide a warm and loving place for persons requiring rest home care. With 13 rooms for residents, the Home essentially took care of 13 persons in 1975, of which 3 were Friends. As of December 1975 there were 7 Friends living at the Home, 3 residents and 4 staff.

Irven Roberts has ably directed the staff of 6. The services of Muriel Roberts, Harry Barron and Edith Barron provided a welcomed continuity, while the program to have young adult interns, David Thomforde, graduate of Haverford College, and Karen Marshall, graduate of East Washington State College, has proved very successful in bringing a liveliness to the Home's activities. Activities for the residents are augmented also by several volunteers. The singing group has given performances at nearby nursing homes.

Financially, the five-year program to make the operating budget balance without using income from endowments has been successful. This is the result of careful management of costs and a high occupancy rate.

In accordance with the plan presented at 1975 Yearly Meeting, the Home Committee is exploring possibilities for selling the Home to a local non-profit organization. An appraisal of the property has been made, a pro forma operating budget has been prepared, and background data have been gathered. Local churches and civic groups have been contacted.

In February 1976, Muriel Roberts retired. Irven Roberts retired as of May 15, 1976, but continues to provide the Home with assistance under a management consultant arrangement. Harry Barron has assumed the Directorship. Irven Roberts will be active in connection with the new Friends Community at North Easton, while the Barrons have indicated their interest in continuing at the Hingham Home indefinitely.

NEW ENGLAND FRIENDS HOME

TREASURER'S REPORT

Statement of Income and Expense for 1975

Current Income		(cents omitted)
Boarders		\$ 53,158
Huntington-Dixon Trust and other Funds	\$ 5,647	
Less subsidies to Friends residing in the Home	560	5,087
Transfer of excess from Deposit Fund		4,343
Bank Interest		5,627
Undesignated Contributions under \$1,000		1,103
Undesignated Contribution over \$1,000		2,200
Designated Contributions		70
Donations for Meals, Lodging, Furniture		559
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Current Expenditures

Salaries	\$ 30,097
F.I.C.A. Taxes	2,410
Consultants	1,702
Employee's Health Insurance & Examinations	1,285
Telephone	475
Utilities	7,056
Laundry	418
Operating Supplies	634
Provisions	8,860
House Furnishings	353
Repairs and Maintenance	2,677
Car, Car Insurance and Travel	770
Insurance, Fire and Liability	1,608
Director's Discretionary Fund	155
Subscriptions	187
Advertising	90
Office Supplies	570
Depreciation - Furniture and Equipment	373
Depreciation - Buildings	4,434

Total

\$ 64,154

Increase in General Fund

\$ 7,993

BALANCE SHEETS, DECEMBER 31, 1975**Assets****Cash**

Shawmut First County	\$ 100	
Provident Institute for Savings	9,938	
Hingham Institute for Savings	1,949	
Petty Cash	200	
Securities - Provident Institute for Savings	55,103	
Securities - F.D.I.T.	20,122	\$ 87,412

Fixed Assets

Auto	2,914	
Furniture and Equipment	3,603	
Buildings	176,010	
Land	10,000	192,527

Total

\$ 279,939

Liabilities, Reserves and Funds**Liabilities**

None

Reserves

Reserves for House Furnishings	\$ 4,599	
Reserves for Repairs	1,730	
Reserves for Auto	2,623	
Reserves for Depreciation - Furniture & Equipment	1,500	
Reserves for Depreciation - Buildings	13,302	
Room and Board Deposits	1,931	\$ 25,685

Funds

Equipment Fund	5,158	
Land and Buildings Fund	186,010	
Restricted Funds	34,817	
General Fund	28,269	254,254

Total

\$ 279,939

Eleanor Gould, Treasurer

I completed my examination of the books of the Friends Home at Hingham, July 1976. I believe the books fairly represent the financial condition of the New England Friends Home.

Henry J. Baechler, Auditor

10. Wayne Jones has brought us up to date on the necessarily slow motion of the Friends Community Development Corporation: the land purchase of August 12, 1976, and the likelihood of ground-breaking next spring, with first move-in's in the following fall of 1977.

11. We have heard with sympathy the concerns of Connecticut Valley Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Counsel for more communication between Yearly Meeting and monthly meetings, and that the Executive Council be representative since it makes interim decisions. We urge monthly meetings to ask for regular reports from their representatives, and suggest that summaries of committee work appear in the *New England Friend*.

12. Northwest Quarterly Meeting faces the cost of being Quakers in time, energy and travel to committee meetings and conferences and more important, urges search for an alternate committee life style by increasing the cogency of committee business. We ask the Executive Council to consider ways to equalize these costs. Perhaps in the post-automotive age Friends may be forced into greater community.

13. James Achterberg reports for the Minute 74 Committee.

MINUTE 74 COMMITTEE

In this 11th anniversary year of the witness of Yearly Meeting to meaningfully integrate our Quaker schools, we are pleased to report that more minority students are enrolled in one of our five schools this year than in all five schools combined in 1965. The 1965 minute of Yearly Meeting has helped our schools become more committed to educate minority students. For every dollar Friends donate, the schools are now donating over ten. They are committing from 30-60 percent of their scholarship budgets to minority students.

The Minute 74 Committee tried very hard this year to increase the amount of money allotted to our five New England Quaker schools for minority scholarships. Our goal was to raise \$10,000.00 and we fell \$3,000.00 short of that goal.

Over the past two years the numbers of Meetings and individual Friends contributing to Minute 74 has increased which is very heartening. The total dollar amount contributed has remained about the same. Up until two years ago the Committee was able to turn to trust fund reserves to reach a desired total of \$10,000.00. These special funds were depleted in 1974. Except for a small foundation grant, all monies raised at present come from contributions made by monthly meetings and individual Friends.

The Minute 74 Committee will continue to do everything it can to develop even greater individual and group participation. The commitment of large numbers of New England Friends to integrate meaningfully our schools is very important. It is also important for us to try to find new ways to increase the amount of funds we distribute every year to our five New England Quaker schools.

Wednesday, August 18

14. The epistle of Baltimore Yearly Meeting at Westminster, Maryland, August 10, 1975, reports the challenges felt in trying to build community in its meetings.

15. The reading of a memorial to Winnifred Barrett evokes warm reminiscences of her spirit.

MEMORIAL TO WINNIFRED ALLEE BARRETT

Winnifred Allee Barrett, a founding member of Acton Monthly Meeting of Friends, died on July 7, 1976, at the age of 75, at Lake Wales, Florida. She leaves her husband, Leslie, her daughter, Amaryllis, her son, Paul, and eight grandchildren.

How little that says about our beloved Winni, who leaves literally scores of New England Friends and friends among her spiritual children! Kindled by her radiant example of the Quaker way of living and loving, inspired by her deeply felt and winningly articulated concern for peace and justice for all God's children, a generation of teen-agers of the '40s and '50s went out from AFSC's New England High School Institutes at Winni and Barrie's "Friendly Cross-ways" to add their strength and leadership in the movement for peace and social change of the '60s and '70s, and to the Society of Friends everywhere.

Winni's retirement in 1963 after twenty years as High School Secretary for the AFSC in Cambridge permitted her to go with her husband, Barrie, to Kenya for three years' service at the Girls School of Friends Africa Mission at Lugulu. Their subsequent illustrated lectures on that experience opened older Friends' hearts and minds to the realities of Africa, as Winni's institutes had opened those of young Friends to the realities of their own country. The next step was to take Friends out into the world to see for themselves. A series of six yearly trips to Africa, Asia and around the globe, under the sponsorship of Friends World College, was guided by the wisdom and Light which shone through these two truly inspired teachers and exemplars of the testimonies of Friends.

In the 1920's, the Barretts came to New England from Iowa. Leslie served as pastor of the Worcester Meeting. In 1944, Winni joined the Friends Meeting at Cambridge. She served on many Yearly Meeting committees. In the early 1950's the Barretts helped to gather a group of seeking young families in the Acton-Littleton area into what became Acton Monthly Meeting in 1966. Their loyal and affectionate support of Acton Friends during their years away has been a strength which we will long remember with loving gratitude and joy.

16. Helen Bliss reports the five meetings of the Executive Council during the past year as times of listening to the expressions of the needs of committees and meetings.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

The Executive Council met five times this past year during Committee Days. We were concerned with a few aspects of the last sessions of Yearly Meeting, and made some suggestions for changes which we hope will be evident as this session meets. Committees, their membership, purposes and programs were part of our considerations, and the Nominating Committee was asked to make sure that nominees for membership to committees are made aware of purposes and programs.

A workshop for Clerks was held in March in Cambridge. It was reported to be one of the best some had taken part in, and was well attended and creatively led.

Again we are fortunate that all three staff members of the Yearly Meeting will be with us another year. We are very appreciative of all they do for us and heartily recommend their reappointment. However, in our considerations, we were made aware that we, as a Yearly Meeting, have delegated perhaps too many of our leadership functions to the staff and that we may be losing thereby. Further it seems, although we are willing to increase their duties, we are not as mindful of increasing their remuneration accordingly. We hope and recommend that as we reappoint them, Friends will be more considerate and realize that cost of living increases affect our staff just as it does us.

17. We approve the list of nominations reviewed and forwarded with the approval of the Representatives. These are listed on pages 53-60. The Committee regrets the imbalance of men and women on some committees, especially financial. It has

asked many women who declined. It looks for competence and interest, and to represent differences in the Yearly Meeting.

18. We commend our Field Secretary for his light-hearted report of visitations, and appreciate the symbolic significance of the discovery of a Paul Revere bell in the Durham, Maine, town hall, pointing us to undiscovered talents.

FIELD SECRETARY

This past year I have visited most quarterly meetings, many local Meetings, worked with some Yearly Meeting committees, visited with clerks, helped a little at China Camp, visited senior Friends at Hingham and elsewhere, helped arrange improvements and meetings at Amesbury, worked on Yearly Meeting arrangements, and traveled enough to overspend my expense account.

Many committees, Meetings, and Friends have joy, commitment, and purpose while others seem to be just hanging on. If we are going to fulfill our responsibility in this troubled world we need to use all the talents and express all the love the Lord has shared with us.

I am happy that at least some Meetings are concerned to share their religious ideas in their own communities because I feel it is rather futile to talk non-violence among ourselves while millions, especially the young, are watching violence on television and accepting it more and more.

It has been a joy to visit among you and to accept your hospitality. I want to thank all of you for the privilege of working with you and trying to do a little of the Lord's work.

Louis Marstaller

19. The statistical report shows a slight increase in members, a decline in estimated average attendance at worship, and a ten per cent increase in Sunday classes. Our membership comes from adults who decide to become Friends, more than from the nurture of our children. Statistical Report on Pages 42-43.

20. Clarabel Marstaller, sensitive to the dissatisfaction of many at the antiquated "heads of families" address list, will thriftily revise it.

YEARLY MEETING OFFICE

One of the purposes of the Yearly Meeting Office is to facilitate the work of its committees through notices of meetings, circulating minutes, special mailings to Monthly Meetings and occasionally to the general membership. The quarterly *New England Friend* helps committees present their concerns to the members. There is considerable difference in how much each committee uses the services of the Yearly Meeting Office.

Other functions of the Office include publishing and distribution of the Yearly Meeting minutes, editing and publication of the *New England Friend* which, with the *Crier*, goes to the "heads of families" and Young Friends lists (about 2400), keeping the mailing list up to date, distributing the epistle(s) of the Yearly Meeting, selling publications of the Yearly Meeting such as *Faith and Practice* and Daisy Newman's *Peaceably With All Men*, and handling miscellaneous correspondence.

Youth and adults of Durham Meeting have done most of the stuffing of the seven bulk mailings.

Clarabel Marstaller, Office Secretary

21. Andrew Grannell reports his thanks for help this spring in getting his work done for the Yearly Meeting while completing his doctoral study at Boston University on how religious faith develops. We return thanks for his diligence in working overtime during other parts of the year.

MINISTRY AND EDUCATION SECRETARY

This year was marked by solidifying many of the gains and the programs begun in my last two years. Particularly encouraging have been seminars in New York and Washington for Young Friends, the full registration for all sessions of China Camp, a number of fruitful sessions with First Day School teachers, and a general feeling of effectiveness in daily contacts with Friends. The year was especially marked by the completion of my doctoral program in June and I am most grateful for the patience and steady support of Friends throughout this long process. I am looking forward to this next year, because it promises to be fueled by the impetus of the last few years and simplified by the single focus of working for Friends' needs and concerns.

Andrew Grannell

22. Wendell Clepper reports for the Committee on Prejudice and Poverty:

COMMITTEE ON PREJUDICE AND POVERTY

(Minute 60)

The Yearly Meeting's concern for victims of prejudice and poverty in New England has been held in the Light by members of the Committee this past year, insofar as we were able.

We have been refreshed by the widespread nature of Friends' financial contributions, large and small, monthly and yearly, by individuals and by Monthly Meetings, witnessing to this concern.

Significantly the involvement in local projects by Friends and their Meetings seems to be on the rise. Several grants have gone to bolster such activities.

The Committee has wrestled with the problems of distributing grants wisely but not patronizingly. The defined objective of providing "seed money for innovative social programs" has not always been uniformly perceived. But we are working on it. Help and counsel are welcome.

Distributions for the year 1975-6 were as follows:

Construct, Inc. (western Mass.)	\$ 2,000
Community Health Center (Middletown, CT)	2,000
Inquilinos Boricuas en Accion (Boston)	1,000
Religious Coalition of Greater New Bedford	1,500
Women's Community Center (Vermont)	100
Central Maine Indian Association	600
Halfway-House Feasibility Study (Cape Cod)	600
Hartford (CT) Court Monitoring Project	1,400
Association of Aroostook Indians (ME)	500
"We Who Care" (Portland, ME)	330
Total	\$10,030

23. Because of our social concerns, the Board of Managers of Investments and Permanent Funds operates in a limited field, Robert Hindmarsh reports. For example, the Board has sold our New Hampshire Public Service stock because the corporation is building a nuclear power plant at Seabrook.

BOARD OF MANAGERS OF INVESTMENTS AND PERMANENT FUNDS

The Board has met each month at Wellesley Meeting House during the past twelve months.

In September of 1975 the Board appointed a subcommittee to bring to the full Board a new set of investment guidelines. The Board then approved for a trial period following the guidelines in our considerations.

We agreed that the fund is to be invested for current yield and long-term growth in a manner consistent with Friends' principles. The guidelines are intended to assist in achieving these objectives by providing direction and discipline to those involved in the management of the funds. These are not hard and fast rules but are subject to change to reflect developments in the securities market or the needs of those who have invested in the fund. Indeed,

it is expected that from time to time in the light of experience we will wish to make changes in these guidelines.

While these guidelines supercede the investment strategy statement which the Board adopted early in 1971, there is no fundamental change in objectives or investment strategy. The overall goal remains the judicious mixture of current income from both dividends and interest and gains in value of the securities we have held. These guidelines differ from the earlier strategy statement in providing a minimum income goal and an explicit division of the portfolio into an income part and a growth part. The Board and its advisor will, of course, have both income and growth considerations in mind, that is total return, when making any purchase or sale, although in a particular decision one objective may have a clear predominance.

The goals can be described as three: First, income. We are concerned to increase steadily the income available to the participants in the fund. Second goal is growth of principal. The fund should be invested for reasonable growth consistent with the above income objective. Third, is a social goal. In pursuing its objective the fund will seek to invest funds in organizations using capital investments consistent with Friends' principles.

24. Virginia Townsend reports that the Friends Council on Education with an office in the new Philadelphia Friends' Center, has chosen Adelbert Mason, Headmaster of Abingdon Friends School, formerly a member of New England Yearly Meeting, to succeed Thomas S. Brown as Director.

25. The Committee on the Equalization Fund thanks meetings, individual Friends and the Obadiah Brown Fund for contributions which made it possible to give \$2,026 to seventy persons for expenses at 1975 Yearly Meeting.

26. The reading of the epistle from Australia Yearly Meeting at Melbourne, January 1976, challenges us to free ourselves from lifestyles, institutions and ideologies which block life-giving change.

27. A memorial to Henry Bailey Stevens recalls his ageless affinity for the young, his humanity and strong humility.

MEMORIAL TO HENRY BAILEY STEVENS

Henry Bailey Stevens, 84, at home in peace, third month, sixteenth day, 1976, a member of Dover, New Hampshire Meeting since its reactivation in 1954. Henry Stevens led Friends to increased comprehension of inner spiritual life by his gentle example and his philosophical explorations concerning the various concepts of light. He had a lifelong commitment to world order, nonviolence, vegetarianism and a tender interest in things natural, especially agriculture. He was an orchardist and a bee keeper.

He served Dover Meeting as trustee, elder, member of ministry and counsel and of the peace and social concerns committee. He was a consistent attender at Yearly Meeting, contributing both formally and informally to its vitality.

Henry Stevens was born in Hooksett, New Hampshire, on a small farm. He graduated magna cum laude from Dartmouth in 1912. He joined the University of New Hampshire Agricultural Experiment Station in 1918 and at the time of his retirement in 1956 was Director of the University Extension. In 1970 the University honored him with a Doctorate of Humane Letters. Internationally, he is best known for his first book, *The Recovery of Culture*. His fifth and most recent book, published just before his death, is *Para-desa*.

For the celebration of Dover Meeting's 300th Anniversary he wrote an outdoor pageant, "Mother Whittier's Meeting," which delighted Friends and his neighbors in the seacoast area.

28. On recommendation of the Executive Council we approve the reappointment of Louis Marstaller as Field Secretary, Clarabel Marstaller as Office Secretary, and Andrew Grannell as Ministry and Education Secretary for the Yearly Meeting.

29. New England Yearly Meeting, gathered at Wheaton College, sends to Emily Wilson loving greetings and expresses regret that illness prevents her being with us.

30. Samir Haddad, Clerk of the Coordinating Committee of Moses Brown and Lincoln Schools, has read his annual report.

COORDINATING COMMITTEE ON MOSES BROWN AND LINCOLN SCHOOLS

To a large degree, the 1975-76 school year has been one of exploration, re-assessment and planning. The Committee has promoted little interaction between the Schools. Within each School, however, considerable effort was devoted toward formulating plans for the future.

Moses Brown School concentrated on starting a coeducational program in the fall of 1976 in terms of curriculum, faculty, admissions and facilities. The completion of the new building to house the Lower School provided a much needed step forward in preparing the rest of the facilities to accommodate both sexes in classrooms as well as extracurricular activities and athletic programs. At various levels 62 girls have been accepted for admission.

The Education Policy Committee at Moses Brown has sponsored classroom visitation and has discussed educational philosophy. It has worked very closely with the School faculty and its administration and reported to the Board of Overseers. This has established an open and healthy dialogue between faculty, Overseers, alumni and parents.

The Lincoln School Board of Overseers minuted its thanks to the Yearly Meeting for offering the option of incorporation, and approved the option, provided it did not mean total separation from the Yearly Meeting. Its Committee worked with a group named by the Permanent Board to draft the instruments for a separate corporate structure for the School. The work of these Committees has progressed with diligence and sensitivity and will be reported to the Permanent Board.

Lincoln School has continued the review of its identity, philosophy, policies, and its current and future needs. This work was augmented to a large extent by a major effort in which a survey was conducted among alumnae, parents, past parents, friends, overseers, students and faculty. An extensive questionnaire was used in gathering opinions, comments and preferences of a wide spectrum of respondents. The results indicated a strong approval for Lincoln School's remaining essentially a school for girls, but also approved a coordinate educational program with other schools. The coordinate education program was continued between the two Schools with approximately 65 boys and 45 girls participating. While this form of scheduling may not be the most efficient means of coeducation, it presents an option to students while preserving the identity of each School. While it is difficult to project the future of this program, it is clear that the administrations of both Schools support this cooperative effort to the extent that it remains productive toward its purpose.

Several difficult issues, common to all independent schools, pose a continuing concern. Tuition increases occur almost every year. Control of school costs will need a great deal of attention and prudent management. To solve this ever present problem, adequate endowment funds are needed for scholarships, faculty salaries and special educational needs. The Schools are mindful of the importance of their philosophies, structure and stability in the eyes of those who are willing to contribute. A delicate balance exists between what the Schools stand for and what potential contributors either perceive or prefer to see accomplished.

Another important issue is the size and scope of the boarding departments. Several factors are at play, including the nature of a boarding program, its operating costs, proper staffing, admissions policies and the fee structure necessary to maintain, or even subsidize, such a program without compromising other resources devoted to scholarships and student aid funds.

We appreciate the receipt of the annual reports of the Heads of the Schools, providing, as always, an overview of the year's activities and programs.

We express our deep felt appreciation to Herbert C. Wells, the outgoing Chairman of the Board of Overseers of Lincoln School. Under his guidance over many years as Treasurer and as Chairman, Lincoln received wise and responsible direction and management.

We also express our gratitude to Harris Rosen, the outgoing Chairman of the Board of Overseers of Moses Brown School. His work and dedicated effort in the School's recent building program and the development of its educational policies is deeply appreciated.

Finally, on behalf of the Boards of Overseers and the Yearly Meeting, as a whole, the Coordinating Committee wishes to express its gratitude to the Heads of the Schools, Mary L. Schaffner and Peter R. Mott. Their dedicated and untiring efforts prompt us to extend our appreciation and thanks.

LINCOLN SCHOOL STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSE

July 1, 1974 — June 30, 1975

Income:

Tuition	\$ 728,841.25
Dormitory	13,314.00
Board - Resident Students	21,347.05
Lunches - Day Students	22,350.18
Recess Lunches	11,547.34
Income from Investments - School	9,677.43
Income from Investments - New England	
Yearly Meeting of Friends	8,417.76
Interest - Savings Accounts	3,404.33
Scholarship Funds	7,830.25
Incidental Income from Students:	
Books, Typing and Reading	22,395.87
Application Fees	1,620.00
Graduation Fees	1,350.00
Supplies	2,242.21
School Publication	2,496.00
Studio	4,934.50
From Annual Giving - Undesignated Purposes	42,500.00
Donations	23,860.00
Miscellaneous	141.83
	<u>\$ 928,270.00</u>

Expenses:

Salaries, Wages and Related Costs	654,684.81
Administration	47,497.68
Upper School	8,578.74
Lower School	1,898.26
Dormitory	2,933.31
Dining Room	75,628.77
Grounds	2,277.67
Buildings	58,823.01
Incidental Charges	30,501.32
Alumnae and Development Office	28,962.76
	<u>\$ 911,786.33</u>

Net Increase in Fund Balance	\$ 16,483.67
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BALANCE SHEET

June 30, 1975

Assets**Current Fund:****Unrestricted:**

Cash	\$ 45,303.32	
Accounts Receivable	17,114.01	
Due from Other Funds	168.20	
Inventory	4,943.81	
Prepaid Insurance	16,281.00	
Prepaid Graduate Study	1,443.00	
Total Unrestricted		\$ 85,253.34

Restricted:

Due from Unrestricted Current Fund	4,283.26	
Investments - Pension Fund		
(Market Value 1975 \$25,040.58 -		
1973 \$33,100.89)	25,145.58	
Total Restricted		29,428.84

Total Current Fund

\$ 114,682.18

Plant Fund:

Land and Buildings	1,706,826.21	
Furniture and Equipment	151,788.72	
Total Plant Fund		\$1,858,614.93

Capital Fund:

Cash	3,620.49	3,620.49
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Annual Giving Fund:

Cash	28,962.16	28,962.16
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Marion S. Cole Scholarship Fund:

Cash	16,581.55	
Investments (Market Value 1975 \$40,040 -		
1974 \$40,331)	40,050.00	
Total Marion S. Cole Scholarship Fund		56,631.55

Louise E. McMillen Memorial Scholarship Fund:

Cash	8,849.85	8,849.85
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Student Activities and United Service Funds:

Cash	25,450.68	25,450.68
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Special Scholarship Fund:

Cash	5,041.52	5,041.52
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Total All Funds

\$2,101,853.36

Liabilities and Fund Balances**Unrestricted:**

Accounts Payable	\$ 4,773.00	
Registration Fees and Tuition Paid in Advance	64,300.00	
Due to Restricted Current Funds	4,283.26	
Fund Balance	11,897.08	
Total Unrestricted		\$ 85,253.34

Restricted:**Fund Balances:**

Pension Fund	25,145.58	
Other	4,283.26	
Total Restricted		29,428.84

Total Current Fund

\$ 114,682.18

Total Plant Fund:

1,858,614.93

Capital Fund:

Accounts Payable	283.79	
Due to Other Funds	168.20	
Fund Balance	3,168.50	
Total Capital Fund		3,620.49

Annual Giving Fund:

Unrestricted	18,277.93	
Restricted	10,684.23	
Total Annual Giving Fund		28,962.16
Total Marion S. Cole Scholarship Fund		56,631.55
Total Louise E. McMillen Memorial Scholarship Fund		8,849.85
Total Student Activities & United Service Funds		25,450.68
Total Special Scholarship Fund		5,041.52
Total All Funds		<u>\$2,101,853.36</u>

Accountants' Report

We have examined the Balance Sheet of Lincoln School at June 30, 1975 and 1974 and. . . for the years then ended. . . In our opinion,. . . said financial statements, together with the notes pertaining thereto, present fairly the financial condition of Lincoln School at June 30, 1975 and 1974. . .

Christiansen and Company

MOSES BROWN SCHOOL
STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSE*

July 1, 1975 — June 30, 1976

Operating Revenue

Resident Student Tuition	\$ 206,134	
Day Student Tuition	1,295,832	
Registration Fees	2,725	
Application Fees	3,210	
Art, Science, Test., Grad. Fees	4,892	
Chg. for Regular Lunches	47,386	
Chg. for Mid-Morn. Lunches	10,585	
Chg. for Students Supplies		
Books & Stationery	46,730	
Athletic Goods	11,390	
Total		\$ 1,628,884
Less: Cost of Student supplies		<u>48,788</u>
Net Operating Revenue		1,580,096

Operating Expense

Administration	209,519	
Instruction	751,952	
Development	64,142	
Kitchen & Dining Room	122,932	
Housekeeping	42,851	
Maintenance of Plant	58,263	
Operation of Plant	137,625	
Grounds	34,850	
Student Aid	137,810	
Total Operating Expense		<u>1,559,944</u>
Operating Income		\$ 20,152

Non-Operating Income

Annual Giving 1975-76	86,828	
Endowment Income	19,226	
Rent Income	16,837	
Interest Income	8,484	
Miscellaneous Income	10,971	
Total		142,346

Non-Operating Expense

Pensions	40,825	
(Less: Paid by Friends)	(12,145)	
Interest	53,059	
Miscellaneous—bad debts	9,253	
Total		90,992
Net: Non-Operating Income-Expense		\$ 51,354
Net Income		\$ 71,506

*Unaudited

31. A recent requirement of the U. S. Internal Revenue Service that all independent schools publish a statement that they do not discriminate on account of race, color or national origin (not including creed) does not prevent the Moses Brown School's giving preference to Quakers in hiring teachers or admitting students.

32. Alan Walker presents the report of the Permanent Board:

REPORT FROM THE PERMANENT BOARD

In accord with Minutes 16 and 49 of the 1975 Yearly Meeting, a subcommittee composed of George Bliss, Gordon Browne, Ruth Burgess, Finley Perry, and Caleb Smith *ex officio* was named and has met over the year with a subcommittee of the Lincoln School Board of Overseers to make suitable arrangements for the formation of an independent corporation to operate the Lincoln School. A long-term lease, bylaws and articles of association for a new Lincoln School Corporation, and a quit-claim deed for certain non-contiguous properties have been developed and all have been approved by the two committees and the Board of Overseers of Lincoln School. The Permanent Board subcommittee has recommended the approval of these arrangements to the Permanent Board. It is anticipated that action on the recommendation will be taken at the August 22 meeting of the Board. In the meantime Board members and others have the opportunity to inspect the documents and speak with committee members about the details of the arrangements, particularly on Friday, August 20, at the Yearly Meeting Office.

33. The Permanent Board also reports the establishment of three new monthly meetings: Starksboro Monthly Meeting has joined the Northwest Quarter by transfer from New York Yearly Meeting, Watertown Monthly Meeting has been recognized by the Connecticut Valley Quarter, Middlebury Monthly Meeting by the Northwest Quarter.

Memorials for Robert Clarence Perisho, Mildred S. Richardson, Henry Bailey Stevens, Dorothy Cox, Winnifred Barrett, Mabel Googins Bailey, Ralph Mehlin Williams, and Alexander Converse Purdy were received with grateful appreciation for the lives of these Friends and were forwarded to Yearly Meeting.

34. We approve the continuation of the Ad Hoc Committee on Friends' Educational Needs, and those who volunteer to help them, with authority to establish a group representing public and private educational systems at all levels and of any kind, and to report to the next Yearly Meeting. Judging from the forty who attended the May education conference, and a show of hands indicating few at this session who have not had experience working in educational institutions, interest in this concern is clear.

A REPORT FROM THE CONFERENCE ON FRIENDS CONCERNS FOR EDUCATION HOW DO WE TEACH OUR CHILDREN?

The forty Friends gathered at the Rolling Ridge Conference Center in North Andover, Massachusetts, May 7-9, 1976 recognized the serious inequities of our present educational systems, public and private in this country. To attack the problems besetting our schools, Friends and others must be willing to question the political, socio-economic and educational systems all the way through. A task force is needed to gather data, sift information, assemble insights into possible solutions, then to recommend to the New England Yearly Meeting procedures for the future. We ask that a group of ten Friends in New England representing public and private educational systems, including elementary, secondary and higher education, be named to meet regularly throughout the year and report to Yearly Meeting. Primary among its responsibilities would be the cross fertilization, nurturing and support of the many New England Friends involved in public, private and non-institutionalized education.

We ask that each Monthly Meeting be sensitive to the educational needs of the communities covered by their Meetings. We suggest that Monthly Meeting and Quarterly Meeting committees be formed to gather Friends' and community concerns and to contact the Yearly Meeting task force to share their findings.

The Yearly Meeting Task Force on Education will have an address listed in the Yearly Meeting Minutes, where concerns and information can be directed.

We ask that Friends, through worship and discussion consider some of the following concerns that arose from our meeting together in May.

1. That we examine the validity of the common acceptance of the compulsory aspects of our educational system in this country.
2. That Friends accept responsibility and recognize the urgency to participate in rectifying the inequities of public schools, especially those in the inner cities.
3. That Friends recognize that suburban schools are contributing to the problems of inner city schools.
4. That expensive educational complexes do not reflect Friends' testimony for simplicity nor do they necessarily contribute to desirable effects in education.
5. That the Committee on Faith and Practice review Query #5 on children and their rearing and consider clarifying education—to stand for life development of the individual and for harmonious relationship of each person within the wider society. In addition, we hope the committee will consider revising the entire section on education in the present **Faith and Practice**.
6. That Friends identify and support the many current actions of Friends in New England Monthly Meetings who seek to rear with care their own young and also the world's children.

Thursday, August 19

35. Met as guests of the Newport Historical Society, at the Great Meeting House where New England Yearly Meeting was principally held from 1699 through 1902 in Newport, Rhode Island. In a substantial period of worship following the reading of the 1976 epistle from Philadelphia Yearly Meeting, we have prayed for rebirth, not found in the mere rehearsal of historic events so much as in rebaptism of the Spirit; for an openness like that of Roger Williams welcoming the Friends he opposed; for the sense to go forward, like the Friends of the Wodehouse and as George Fox's party did in 1672, having called each to his own inward teacher.

36. Our Friends Norman Farris of New York Yearly Meeting, Eleanor Arneson of Baltimore Yearly Meeting and Anna Langston, Recording Clerk of Indiana Yearly Meeting, have been recognized and welcomed.

37. Catharine M. Wright, Philadelphia Yearly Meeting, has told us the story of how this meeting house, used as a community center for half a century, was restored to its early 19th century appearance. Gertrude Cox's slide presentation of the reconstruction process was shown at the rise of this meeting. We thank all those who contributed to the preservation of this meeting house, and those who made possible our meeting here.

38. Thyra Jane Foster has recalled what happened in or near this meeting house as recorded by traveling ministers and clerks. The first general meeting of 1661, three months after the fourth Quaker had been hanged in Boston was attended by 28 others spared the scaffold and released from jail by order of Charles II. In the 18th century, Friends congregated here by thousands, to discuss "the comely order of the Gospel," and "To tell how it was with us" in letters to London Friends. John Woolman started "A good exercise" with Rhode Island Quaker slaveholders in 1760, which took 18 years to bear fruit in a Yearly Meeting testimony against slave-holding.

ARCHIVES AND HISTORICAL RECORDS COMMITTEE

Thyra Jane Foster has written, with the help of three other members of the Archives Committee, *Rhode Island Quakers in the American Revolution, 1775-1790*, commissioned by Providence Monthly Meeting, based on our Archives, published in May, and endorsed by the Rhode Island Bicentennial Committee. She has spoken about Friends to three church classes, appeared on a Council of Churches TV program and spoken on WHIM, a radio public service station. She works Thursdays from 9:30 to 3:30 in the Archives. Robert Cool shared two of the church classes and spoke to the Pettaquamsett Historical Society. Helen Gifford and Ruth Burgess work in the Archives frequently.

Frank Fuller, retired Moses Brown School teacher, has collected with the aid of a grant from the Obadiah Brown Fund the remains of the libraries of Moses and Obadiah Brown, stored at the School. These, with other Quaker books totaling 212 volumes, have been moved with permission of the Coordinating Committee on Moses Brown and Lincoln Schools to our repository at 121 Hope Street, Providence. A manuscript in George Fox's handwriting, with notes by Moses Brown telling how he acquired it, is tipped into the back endpaper of one of these volumes, the 3rd edition (1765) of George Fox's *Journal* and matches the printed text on p. 499.

Gifts received this year include the 1786 deed for the Little Compton Meeting House land, from the Haviland Records Room, New York Yearly Meeting; a pamphlet on Ohio Quakers from the Ohio Historical Society; books and papers from Gertrude Hammond; more books and papers from Louisa White; two books from Philip Simonds; and books transferred from the Rhode Island Historical Society. We have given Wilmington College, Mt. Toby meeting and other Quaker collections duplicate publications. All the books damaged in October 1974 by leaking pipes have been repaired and rebound, the cost covered by insurance.

Thirteen scholars have used our Archives, including Arthur O. Roberts of George Fox College for his history of Friends in Alaska. Three historical societies have sent inquiries and 22 genealogists have been served. More have used our microfilms. A few records are withheld from public use for a few years after deposit; the rest are unrestricted. Friends are encouraged to visit our repository at the corner of Hope and Power Streets, and become better acquainted with the history of Quakers in New England.

39. The Faith and Practice Review Committee reports that it continues to receive and discuss suggestions.

40. Anna Langston, Principal of the Friends Girls School, Ramallah, for eleven years between 1953 and 1974, has described the costs of maintaining a Quaker school: in money, spare and simple living, and mental strain. "It is hard to walk the fine line" between what the Israeli and the Arabs want, to provide quality education for Christians and Muslims. These costs will increase, but the gains compensate in strengthening character to sustain the inward journey in this strife-torn land.

Friday, August 20

41. We have heard the reading of the Seventh Month 1975 epistle of Monteverde Friends Meeting, in Costa Rica, most acutely conscious of daily threats to wild life and natural resources.

42. The reading of a memorial to Alexander Purdy evokes feelings of the immeasurable enrichment of Friends and others from his messages to the Moses Brown School beginning before World War I, his cheerfulness in the darkest days, and his help toward the 1945 reunion of New England Friends.

MEMORIAL TO ALEXANDER CONVERSE PURDY

Alexander Converse Purdy, a founding member of Hartford Monthly Meeting, died on April 10, 1976, in Swarthmore, Pennsylvania. An active Yearly Meeting Friend, he served for many years on the Schools Committee and various other committees of the Yearly Meeting. His brilliant Bible Half Hours, his skill in introducing visitors at evening meetings and his unfailing patience with Friends of all kinds and descriptions are among the ways he enriched our sessions. Over many years he served as Quaker pastor at Moses Brown School.

The Hartford Meeting's memorial minute for Alexander Purdy reads in part as follows: "We looked forward to his presence in Meeting for Worship. We knew then that it would be 'a good Meeting.' We could come with problems, or pain or sorrow, and what he said would send us away stronger, comforted, and with courage. When he was silent he projected in his presence a high spiritual quality. When he spoke he often gathered together previous humble, stumbling messages, giving them unity and importance, so that our worship was deepened."

"He knew the Bible and taught it, but he did not address us as pupils. He only let us share in the wisdom and love he had gleaned from his years of study, and by which he lived."

"We have lost in Alexander Purdy a man of honor and distinction, a spiritual man, modest and kind."

43. A draft minute of sympathy with Friends in the Middle East is referred to the Correspondence Committee, to send letters to both Brumanna and Ramallah Friends.

44. Archie Meshenuk's optimistic report on China Camp as a well-equipped property with a dedicated staff, a hard-working committee, and a spirit of community fostering self-discovery among those of different backgrounds, is supplemented by a report of this season's activities by Tom Ewell, Director.

FRIENDS CHINA CAMP

The 1975 camp season with three youth sessions, one canoe trip and two family camps was probably one of the most successful as to spirit of both campers and staff and as to purpose and enjoyment.

Continued favorable registrations and contributions from meetings and individuals have permitted adequate budgets.

The 1976 camp season promises to be as successful with a large portion of last year's staff returning. Tom Ewell continues as director for the second year.

In recent years the camp committee has chosen the Memorial Day weekend for holding a committee meeting at China Camp, devoting a large portion of the weekend to preparing the camp facilities for the coming summer. Two large gardens were planted and were well along by the first session on the Fourth of July. In addition to readying the camp the weekend gives committee members an opportunity to get to know the camp, its needs and possibilities.

A work week prior to the camp's opening permitted the renovating of the meeting house whose foundation had been trued up and the interior painted. The first camp session was planning to host representatives enroute to the Friends World Committee triennial sessions when they visited the China Lake area where Rufus Jones had lived.

Camp sessions are relatively brief from the first of July to the first of September. Many weekends into October are suitable for the camps use; meetings and committees are urged to use the camp for weekend conferences, retreats and get-togethers.

FRIENDS CHINA CAMP

Financial Statement for Year Ending May 31, 1976

Cash on Hand June 1, 1975		\$ 2,822.10
Income:		
Camp Fees and Registrations	\$ 8,351.00	
Contributions*	827.00	
Yearly Meeting Allotment	1,000.00	
Other Income	377.97	
Total Income		10,555.97
Total Funds Available for Use		13,378.07
Expense:		
Salaries	5,350.00	
Food	2,327.78	
Insurance	771.00	
Utilities	627.77	
Maintenance, Supplies, and Improvements	923.91	
Travel Expense	419.57	
Program Supplies	117.10	
Promotion and Postage	90.86	
Other Expense	213.70	
Total Expense		10,841.69
Balance, May 31, 1976		\$ 2,536.38

Cash on Hand, May 31, 1976:

Waterville Savings Bank	\$ 1,140.76
Bank of Maine - Checking Account	<u>1,395.62</u>
Total	\$ 2,536.38

* Contributions amount does not include \$1,675.00 held by the Yearly Meeting Treasurer as of May 31, and turned over to the Friends Camp Treasurer after the books had closed.

Benjamin Cates, Treasurer

August 6, 1976

I have examined the accounts of the Friends China Camp for the year ending May 31, 1976, and find them correct.

Ralph Austin, Auditor

45. Misha Meshenuk's report on Young Friends' activities and feelings gives rise to a discussion by older Friends on ways they can help. This discussion with Young Friends is appointed for this afternoon.

YOUNG FRIENDS

Yearly Meeting last year produced a strong feeling of community among Young Friends. A Young Friends' workshop on "Understanding human sexuality" drew the group into a common sharing experience within our workshop and all our group activities. A strong Young Friends' staff at Yearly Meeting and mid-winter conference contributed to the success of both conferences.

This year included inter-visitation of Young Friends in New England and with North Carolina Yearly Meeting. Our New England visits found new groups struggling in several monthly meetings—Burlington, Wellesley, Cambridge and Winthrop. We recognize the fact that these groups had adult members willing to contribute much time and effort to their success.

On two occasions we met with North Carolina Young Friends: at the United Nations in New York, in a seminar concerning multinational corporations, and at the William Penn House, Washington, dealing with the energy crisis. Young Friends from New England were restricted to a small number of participants (two cars) because of the transportation problems to Washington and the cost of attending. We feel the need for more frequent conferences enabling a greater participation of youth throughout New England.

During Yearly Meeting, 1976, Young Friends recognized a strong adult program. We chose to participate in the numerous workshops sponsored by the Yearly Meeting committees, and felt the need to integrate with the entire Yearly Meeting. We are finding conflict in achieving closeness with the Yearly Meeting as a whole and maintaining a sense of community among ourselves. We ask the support of Yearly Meeting in dealing with this concern.

46. E. Raymond Wilson, with his usual cogency, has enumerated the costs of establishing peace through world organization, world disarmament, world development and world reconciliation, as tiny compared to the costs of war. Conscientious objection, he says, is but a fragment of the whole Friends' peace testimony, which is for the complete abolition of war. The Russians have a saying, "Mountains may never come together, but people can."

Saturday, August 20

47. The reading of the 1976 epistle of Rocky Mountain Yearly Meeting of the Friends Church reveals an example worth emulating, in their striving to exercise spiritual gifts and their return of God's resources beyond the tithe, for the outreach ministry.

48. A memorial to Mabel Googins Bailey is read.

MEMORIAL TO MABEL GOOGINS BAILEY

12/13/1893 - 1/12/1976

Mabel Googins Bailey joined Friends at the time of her marriage, in 1917, to Moses Bailey, a childhood friend in Maine, and now professor emeritus of Old Testament, Hartford Seminary Foundation. During the succeeding years she shared with him the work of teaching, foreign missions, and service with the American Friends Service Committee.

The Baileys served in the Middle East on three assignments. Both taught at the Ram Allah Friends School in Mandated Palestine; later they were in Beirut, Lebanon, where Mabel Bailey taught Shakespeare at the Armenian High School; and in 1953 and 1954 both served in Israel and various Arab countries as representatives for the American Friends Service Committee.

In Hartford Mabel Bailey was at one time President of the Hartford YWCA, a member of the Women's Board of the Hartford Seminary Foundation, of the North End Day Care Center, and of Church Women United. She was a founding member of the Hartford Friends Meeting, and took an active part in the committees of that Meeting, and in the committees and sessions of New England Yearly Meeting. For several years she facilitated the participation of Friends women in the interdenominational missionary conferences held at Northfield, Massachusetts. Beyond New England, her interests led to service on the Board of Foreign Missions of the then Five Years Meeting of Friends.

Mabel Bailey leaves among Friends in Hartford and throughout the Yearly Meeting a strong memory of her unfailing cheerfulness, her wit and humor, her endless kindness to students, friends and neighbors, her faithfulness in commitment, her love of beauty, and her ability to attract with ease those with whom she came in contact.

49. A memorial to Ralph Mehlin Williams:

MEMORIAL TO RALPH MEHLIN WILLIAMS

Ralph Mehlin Williams, a member of Hartford Monthly Meeting, died on February 25, 1975. For nearly 30 years he had been a member of the faculty of Trinity College, retiring as Professor of English in 1973.

He participated fully in the life and work of Hartford Meeting serving as its clerk in the late 1950's and always carrying his full share of the concerns and activities of the Meeting. His speaking in business meetings was measured, his advice practical and mature.

In the 1970's Ralph was able to follow his growing interest in Quaker work in Africa, first by spending a sabbatical year teaching at the Friends Bible Institute in Kaimosi, Kenya. After his retirement from Trinity, despite ill health he returned to Kaimosi for a further period of service.

On the same day in February two days after his death, two memorial services were held for him, one in Hartford, Connecticut, and the other in Kaimosi in Kenya. A moving feature of the Hartford meeting was the singing of two of the African hymns which Ralph had come to love, sung in Swahili and Luragoli by Laban Masimba and Jack Akenga, former students of his at the Friends Bible Institute.

Ralph Williams served in Yearly Meeting in various ways, most notably by his sacrificial participation over many years in the work of the Schools Committee, meeting in midweek and often for overnight in Providence, Rhode Island. There too his speaking was measured and his advice practical and mature.

50. The presiding clerk has read greetings from William E. Barton, General Secretary of the Friends World Committee for Consultation. Herbert Hadley notes next year's Conference of Friends in the Americas at Wichita, Kansas, June 25 - July 2, and preparations for an October 1978 conference of the three peace churches on "A new call to peace-making."

51. We welcome James Gould, Pacific Yearly Meeting; Barbara Parsons, Philadelphia Yearly Meeting; Eileen Pettengill, Western Yearly Meeting, an interne at the New England Friends Home, and Bruce Weber, Indiana Yearly Meeting.

52. Greetings from Louis Schneider, Executive Secretary of the American Friends Service Committee, stress its partnership with yearly meetings in facing the growing complexities of our world.

53. Hobart Mitchell has read a draft epistle, which is approved with suggestions for revisions to be brought to a later session.

54. The epistle of Iowa Yearly Meeting (Conservative) notes its feeling the need to strengthen the ties among the various branches of Friends.

55. A memorial to Mildred S. Richardson:

MEMORIAL TO MILDRED S. RICHARDSON

Mildred Richardson died on November 16, 1975, a few days after her seventieth birthday. She joined the Society of Friends as a young girl and made it her first concern throughout her life. She served her local Meeting as Sunday School teacher, the Monthly Meeting as clerk, the Quarterly Meeting as clerk of Ministry and Counsel. She was a regular attender of New England Yearly Meeting and served on a number of Yearly Meeting committees. Her deep interest in missions led her to serve as secretary and treasurer of her local Meeting's missionary society for many years.

Her natural friendliness led her to take responsibility in community activities. Mildred's hospitality at home and to Friends throughout the Yearly Meeting will be remembered by many.

While we look back with appreciation for her life in so many meetings, we remember especially her love of nature, her love of birds, the beautiful flowers she grew, and her special ability in enriching the lives of many of us with these interests.

56. A memorial to Robert Clarence Perisho:

MEMORIAL TO ROBERT CLARENCE PERISHO

After a brief illness Robert C. Perisho, a member of New Haven Monthly Meeting, died on September 12, 1975, in Salt Lake City at age 32. During his years in New Haven he served the Meeting well in many areas—as convenor of the midweek meeting for worship, as treasurer, as clerk. It was with a sense of loss that we bade farewell to him and his wife, Marjorie Nelson, and small son, Christopher, as they left two years ago to further his career at Carnegie-Mellon University in Pittsburgh. While there he joined in Friends concerns in Pittsburgh Meeting.

In September of 1975 he excitedly began new work in Salt Lake City at the University of Utah. He had been there just a week when he was stricken and a week later he died.

Bob was very conscious of his long Quaker heritage and in the pursuit of his spiritual life, he served that heritage with devotion. New Haven Friends feel fortunate that so much of his adult life was spent in their midst.

57. A memorial to Dorothy Cox:

MEMORIAL TO DOROTHY COX

On March 24, 1975, Dorothy Cox, a beloved member of Dover Monthly Meeting, came to the end of her long and valiant struggle with disease and weakness. For more than two years she had been an inspiration to her family, neighbors, Epping and Dover Friends, and a wide circle of Friends throughout New England and at Pendle Hill.

Dorothy Cox made a powerful impression on those who came to know her through her participation in several Ministry and Counsel retreats. They join Dover Friends in recalling her courage in the face of illness, and her determination to continue her spiritual growth, with ever increasing satisfaction to herself and to all around her.

58. Roberta Nichols reported for the Christian Education Committee.

We approve the early appointment of a Coordinator for Junior Yearly Meeting and endorse the Christian Education Committee's intention to bring to the Permanent Board any requests for needed financing.

We unite with the Christian Education Committee in expressing our deep appreciation for the dedication of Dorothy Grannell who, as clerk, has done the jobs of three people. Ably assisted by Eunice Strobel as recording clerk, she has carried far more than her share of the work of Christian Education, and the Committee plans to spread and share its responsibilities more fully in the future.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE

In this year the committee concentrated on working with the needs of individual meetings. Special programs were held by committee members or the Ministry and Education Secretary at Smithfield, Providence and Mt. Toby Meetings. Special requests were also handled by mail and telephone. We also produced one issue of the newsletter. **Discovering God's Creative Goodness** filmstrip set was used successfully by five meetings this year and will again be available. The film of 1975 Yearly Meeting was borrowed twice and the William Penn Packet once.

A joint conference sponsored by Peace and Social Concerns and Christian Education "Raising Responsible Children in a Violent Society," engendered great interest and provided a focus for our year.

Three members of Cambridge Meeting were enabled to go to Friends General Conference and work with Caroline Pineo there with one of the Junior Friends groups in June.

Junior Yearly Meeting has been a special concern both in terms of dealing effectively with the children and in getting good staff people. We have wondered if our lack of adult leadership is teaching our young people that JYM is not a valuable experience. We have a good staff but it is harder and harder to find qualified people who are willing to work with the children and parents to volunteer to work one evening with the children.

We will sponsor two workshops at Yearly Meeting, one a practical First Day School workshop under the leadership of Joyce Mardock of Friends United Meeting and the other on children and non-violence led by Suki Rice and Liz Yates of American Friends Service Committee.

59. On behalf of the Young Friends, Thomas Hutcheson has presented a proposal for an increase in the appropriation for their activities to \$500, with a request to appeal to the Yearly Meeting directly. These requests have been incorporated into the proposed budget.

REPORT OF YOUNG FRIENDS FINANCE COMMITTEE

The Young Friends of New England Yearly Meeting have met and we would like to express our appreciation for the concern given us by the whole of New England Yearly Meeting. We also wish to state that we don't want to monopolize the time in these meetings. We are very grateful for all the people who donated offers for their services by way of note cards made available in Chase Dining Hall. To our knowledge this has never been done before and it means a great deal more to us than any money ever could.

The Finance Committee has proposed to increase our budget by \$150, making a total of \$500. We also hope to add personal contributions through donations of key deposits or any other funds that people might feel moved to give. We recognize that we did not place our financial request last year, as other committees do. We hope to plan ahead more in the future.

The Finance Committee has agreed to have us added to the list of committees that can approach the Yearly Meeting directly. Thank you all very much for your understanding.

YOUNG FRIENDS TREASURER'S REPORT

June 1, 1975 — May 31, 1976

Incoming Funds		
Young Friends Budget	\$350.00	
Net surplus conference fees	47.35	
Total		\$397.35
Expenses		
Scholarships (conferences, pilgrimages, etc.)	122.00	
Conference Expenses	80.00	
Travel	96.00	
Miscellaneous (postage, printing, etc.)	29.76	
Total		327.76
Budget Surplus		\$ 69.59

In 1975 the Committee for Releasing Young Friends turned over all control of their funds to the Young Friends Committee for Ministry and Counsel. This added \$139.75 to Young Friends' finances. This money was not tapped, however, as the Committee had not decided what to do with it. This money is now being added to the new Young Friends Activities Fund.

Tom Perry, Treasurer

60. David Douglas, clerk of the Finance Committee, has presented the budget for fiscal 1976-77, recommended by the Representatives. We approve this budget and enthusiastically commend the work of David Douglas, retiring as clerk after three years.

NEW ENGLAND YEARLY MEETING BUDGET

1976-1977

Yearly Meeting Expenses:	
Yearly Meeting Sessions	\$ 500
Young Friends Y. Mtg.	250
Junior Yearly Meeting	800
Yearly Meeting Clerk	200
Yearly Meeting Treasurer	200
Printing of Minutes	1,800
SUB TOTAL	3,750
Field Secretary Account:	
Salary (Part Time)	7,800
Retirement Fund Payment	780
Travel, tel., etc.	2,750
SUB TOTAL	11,330
Office Secretary Account:	
Salary (Part Time)	4,425
Office Rental	675
Equipment & Supplies	2,920
SUB TOTAL	8,020
Min. & Educ. Secr. Account:	
Salary (Full Time)	8,550
Housing Allowance	2,400
Annuity	598
BC/BS	402
Travel, tel., etc.	3,600
SUB TOTAL	15,550

Yearly Meeting Committees:

Aging	35
Archives & Historical Rec.	600
China Camp	1,000
Christian Education	350
Executive Council	500
Friends Education	50
Ministry & Counsel	1,000
Minute 60 Expense	250
Minute 74 Expense	175
Nominating	50
Peace & Social Concerns	250
Student Loan	25
Wider Ministries	50
Young Friends (Activities)	500
SUB TOTAL	4,835

Friends' Organizations:

AFSC	200
FCNL	500
Friends Council on Education	100
Friends General Conference (per member)	2,523*
Friends United Meeting (Activities)	6,000
Friends United Meeting (per member)	4,865*
Friends World Committee (per member)	991*
SUB TOTAL	15,179

Miscellaneous:

Travel, NEYM Reprs.	300
Travel, FUM Triennial Pool	300
SUB TOTAL	600

GRAND TOTAL \$59,264

*using 1975 Minute Book membership of 3604 for 1976-77 budget

61. We approve the following recommendations of the Finance Committee which have been reviewed by the Representatives.

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

1. That the financial support of the Yearly Meeting be derived from voluntary contributions of its members primarily through the Monthly Meetings. It is recommended that each Monthly Meeting include in its budget a sum of money representing its fair share of the Yearly Meeting's budget. This sum should be sent to the Yearly Meeting Treasurer in installments throughout the Yearly Meeting fiscal year which ends May 31, the final installment being sent by the 15th of May. The amount each gives needs to be determined by the individual or Meeting in the light of conscientious consideration.

It is important that Meetings encourage all in their fellowship to feel a responsibility for support of their Meeting and in turn the Yearly Meeting and wider Quaker concerns; this should include attenders, junior members, non-members, new members, and other members, as well as those who have regularly carried the burden of their Meeting's affairs.

2. That the China Camp Committee, the New England Friends Home Committee, and the Young Friends Committee continue to have their own treasurers and checking accounts for receipts and disbursements, but that all bills of all other committees shall be sent to the Yearly Meeting Treasurer for payment after approval and endorsement by the clerk of the respective committees.

3. That the Treasurer be authorized to pay the expenses of the Yearly Meeting sessions and for the printing of the Yearly Meeting Minutes provided that these bills do not exceed by more than ten (10) percent the amounts budgeted therefor. That the Treasurer be authorized to pay the hospitality expenses for visiting Friends at the Yearly Meeting sessions after approval by the presiding clerk of the Yearly Meeting. That the Treasurer be authorized to pay all other budgeted expenses with the approval and endorsement of the

appropriate committee clerk up to and not exceeding the amount included in the budget for said committee. Any payment in excess of these budgeted amounts shall be made only with the additional approval of the clerk of the Finance Committee.

4. That the Equalization Fund Committee, the China Camp Committee, the Minute 74 Committee (Education of Disadvantaged Children in New England Friends Schools), the Committee on Prejudice and Poverty, the Friends General Conference Committee, the Friends United Meeting Committee, the Friends World Committee for Consultation, the Right Sharing of World Resources Committee, the Student Loan and Scholarship Committee and the Young Friends Committee (Activities) be given permission to appeal directly to the members of the Yearly Meeting for funds, but that all other committees of the Yearly Meeting, or Friends organizations of which we are a constituent part, be requested not to do so without first having the approval of the Finance Committee of New England Yearly Meeting.

5. That the committees use their allotted funds in carrying out their particular responsibilities but refrain from contributing them to other organizations.

6. That the Treasurer be authorized to accept money for transmittal to the Friends Committee on National Legislation in an amount up to ten (10) percent of the Yearly Meeting budget.

7. That the audit of the accounts of the China Camp Committee by Ralph Austin, the New England Friends Home Committee by Henry Baechler, and the Young Friends Committee by Robert Wehmeyer for their respective most recently completed fiscal years be accepted.

8. That Ralph Austin be appointed to audit the accounts of the Treasurer of the China Camp Committee, that Henry Baechler be appointed to audit the accounts of the Treasurer of the New England Friends Home, and that Robert Wehmeyer be appointed to audit the accounts of the Treasurer of the Young Friends Committee, in each case for the current fiscal year. It is suggested that in each case the auditor's report be included with the regular annual committee report.

9. That the audit of the accounts of the Yearly Meeting Treasurer (including now the accounts of the Archives and Historical Records Committee) by Archie Meshenuk for the fiscal year ending May 31, 1976, be accepted.

10. That Archie Meshenuk be appointed to audit the accounts of the Yearly Meeting Treasurer for the fiscal year ending May 31, 1977.

11. That Robert M. Brill be appointed as Treasurer for the ensuing year or until his successor is appointed and qualified.

12. That Henry Baechler and the Clerk of New England Yearly Meeting be named as alternate signers individually of all bank accounts of the New England Yearly Meeting for the ensuing year or until their successors are appointed and qualified.

62. We approve the appointment of Robert M. Brill as Treasurer for the ensuing year or until his successor is appointed and qualified.

We approve that Henry Baechler and Caleb A. Smith be named as alternate signers individually of all bank accounts of the New England Yearly Meeting for the ensuing year or until their successors are appointed and qualified.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TREASURER

June 1, 1975 — May 31, 1976

RECEIPTS FOR BUDGET ACCOUNTS

Connecticut Valley Quarter		Salem Quarter	
Hartford	\$ 7,800.00	Acton	\$ 450.00
Middletown	700.00	Amesbury	—
Mt. Toby	1,000.00	Cambridge	10,920.00
New Haven	1,300.00	Lawrence	840.00
New London	250.00	Lynn	100.00
Pleasant Street	300.00	Wellesley	3,360.00
Storrs	750.00		<u>\$15,670.00</u>
	\$12,100.00		
Dover Quarter		Sandwich Quarter	
Concord	\$ 200.00	Allen's Neck	\$ 612.32
Dover	300.00	Dartmouth	400.00
Gonic	136.00	Marion	55.00
Weare	250.00	New Bedford Monthly Mtg.	425.00
	<u>\$ 886.00</u>	New Bedford Prep. Mtg.	350.00
		Long Plain Part. Mtg.	55.00
		Mattapoisett Part. Mtg.	325.00
		Sandwich	650.00
		W. Falmouth Prep. Mtg.	646.19
		Yarmouth Prep. Mtg.	749.00
		Swansea	500.00
		Westport	510.00
			<u>\$ 5,277.51</u>
Falmouth Quarter		Vassalboro Quarter	
Durham	\$ 712.51	China	\$ 650.00
Parsonsfield	40.00	Midcoast	350.00
Portland	1,000.00	North Fairfield	335.00
Sandwich	110.00	Oak Grove	—
Windham	302.50	Orono	275.00
	<u>\$ 2,165.01</u>	Vassalboro	450.00
		Winthrop	308.66
			<u>\$ 2,368.66</u>
Northwest Quarter			
Bennington	\$ 493.00		
Burlington	750.00		
Hanover	1,320.00		
Monadnock	600.00		
Plainfield	400.00		
Putney	200.00		
	<u>\$ 3,763.00</u>		
Rhode Island-Smithfield Quarter			
North Dartmouth	\$ 450.00		
Providence	2,995.03		
Smithfield	1,057.10		
Westerly	800.00		
Worcester	1,200.00		
	<u>\$ 6,502.13</u>		
Total from Meetings		\$48,732.31	
Total from Individuals		2,494.77	
Total from Investments		315.71	
Total Savings Bank Interest		<u>1,534.98</u>	
Total Receipts for Budget Accounts		\$53,077.77	

BUDGET ACCOUNTS	Forward 6-1-1975	Income & Credits	Budget Allotment	Outgo	Balance 5-31-1976
Yearly Meeting Operating Accounts					
Yearly Meeting Session		\$11,501.54	\$ 650.00	\$11,594.95	\$ 556.59
Young Friends Yearly Meeting Session			250.00	144.00	106.00
Junior Yearly Meeting Session			750.00	639.57	110.43
Clerk's Expense			200.00	35.00	165.00
Treasurer's Expense			200.00	109.77	90.23
Field Secretary's Expense	15.12		2,600.00	3,314.26	(699.14)
Central Office Expense			2,800.00	1,950.88	849.12
Central Office Rental			600.00	600.00	
Ministry and Education Secretary's Expense			3,444.00	2,739.07	704.93
Printing Yearly Meeting Minutes		370.80	1,800.00	1,647.00	153.00
Faith and Practice - receipts					370.80
Field Secretary's Salary - part time			7,400.00	7,400.00	
Field Secretary's Retirement			740.00	730.00	10.00
Office Secretary's Salary	66.90		4,200.00	4,266.90	
Ministry & Education Secretary's Salary			11,296.00	11,296.00	
Operating Accounts Subtotal		<u>\$11,954.36</u>	<u>\$36,930.00</u>	<u>\$46,467.40</u>	<u>\$ 2,416.96</u>
Committee Accounts					
Aging			35.00	10.00	25.00
Archives & Historical Records	338.63		600.00	870.60	68.03
China Camp			1,000.00	1,000.00	
Christian Education	726.27		250.00	806.88	169.39
Executive Council	115.00		500.00	209.21	405.79
Long Range Future of the Schools			50.00	50.00	
Ministry and Counsel	1,017.22		1,000.00	1,679.03	338.19
Prejudice and Poverty Expense			250.00	165.32	84.68
Minute 74 Expense			200.00	195.20	4.80
Nominating			50.00	21.26	28.74
Peace and Social Concerns			250.00	249.34	.66
Student Loan and Scholarship			25.00	24.11	.89
Wider Ministries			50.00	46.00	4.00
Young Friends Activities	10.00		350.00	360.00	
Committee Accounts Subtotal		<u>\$ 2,207.12</u>	<u>\$ 4,610.00</u>	<u>\$ 5,686.95</u>	<u>\$ 1,130.17</u>

Support of Wider Quaker Concerns

American Friends Service Committee		200.00	
Friends Committee on National Legislation		500.00	
Friends Council on Education		100.00	
Friends General Conference (65¢/member)		2,373.00	
Friends United Meeting - Activities		6,000.00	
Friends United Meeting (\$1.25/member)	1,180.06	4,563.00	1,180.06
Friends World Comm. for Consultation (25¢/member)		913.00	
Travel Pool for FUM Triennial		325.00	
Travel for NEYM Representatives		300.00	
Support Subtotal		<u>913.00</u>	<u>259.00</u>
TOTAL FOR BUDGET ACCOUNTS		<u>\$15,274.00</u>	<u>\$ 1,439.06</u>
Unbudgeted Expense: Bicentennial Pageant		\$67,169.35	\$ 4,986.19
London Faith and Practice		564.19	
Net Total for Budget Accounts	\$ 3,833.60	18.00	
Working Capital		\$67,751.54	
Receipts from Meetings, Individuals,*			
Investments and Bank Interest			
Grand Total for Budget Accounts	\$53,077.77		
And Capital	\$ 3,833.60	\$56,814.00	\$ 5,076.00

*Special contributions by a group of concerned Friends have made it possible to end the year in the black. Part of these special contributions was given with the express hope that the deficit incurred last year, \$1,042.74, could also be made up. This has been done with an additional \$199.66 to spare. Thus the Yearly Meeting has started the 1976-77 fiscal year with a slightly larger working balance than it had two years ago.

NON BUDGET ACCOUNTS

Bequest Funds	Forward 6-1-1975	Income & Credits	Outgo	Balance 5-31-1976
Boyce & Gifford (for W. Indians)		\$ 102.54	\$ 102.54	
Anna M. Brown (for ed. of R.I. farmer's children)	\$ 2,958.10	253.97		\$ 3,212.07
Boyce, Camp, Knowles & Sturge (for ed. of freedmen)	1,175.14	1,605.87	1,600.00	1,181.01

J. G. Greene (for Sandwich Mtg. & Y.M. owned Fr. ed.)	273.79	273.79	209.83
Hansen & Hill (for Hingham Home)	298.44	298.44	
Hayden (for Prov. Mtg., USFW, & Bd. of Missions)	568.80	568.80	
E. M. Jones (for Parsonsfield Meeting)	159.03	50.80	1,144.84
Kirby (for evangelistic work in Sandwich Quarter)	1,100.47	76.07	615.16
Mosher (for printing & circulating publications on Quaker principles)	361.09	497.37	935.00
Pittsfield & Varney (for M & C)	1,077.80	57.20	<u>\$ 7,297.91</u>
Bequest Funds Subtotal	\$ 6,831.63	\$ 3,784.85	\$ 3,318.57
Contributory Funds			
China Camp	865.00	810.00	1,675.00
Equalization	3,232.74	2,958.00	4,157.43
Archives & Historical Records		324.08	324.08
FCNL Contr. by Individuals		750.00	750.00
FGC Contr. by Individuals		175.00	175.00
FUM Contr. by Mtgs. & Indiv.		278.72	278.72
RSWR (FWCC) by Mtgs. & Indiv.	3,166.81	1,512.70	4,679.51
Prejudice & Poverty Contr. by Mtgs. and Individuals	4,371.59	9,695.76	10,030.00
Minute 74 Contr. by Mtgs. & Individuals	7,209.99	6,920.11	7,450.00
Releasing Young Friends	139.75	10.00	149.75
Student Loan & Scholarship	1,778.32	2,817.90	4,596.22
Estate of Ralph Williams bequest to Lincoln Sch. End.		5,000.00	5,000.00
Travel Pool for FUM Triennial	475.53	325.00	800.53
Travel for 1976 FWCC Triennial		281.25	281.25
Contr. from Mts. & Indiv.		2.05	6.37
Church Extension	4.32		
Contributory Funds Subtotal	\$21,244.05	\$3,860.57	\$22,558.33

Other Funds				
Withholding - federal	84.00	329.20	365.80	47.40
Withholding - Maine	6.00	39.95	39.25	6.70
Deferred receipts		1,615.24		1,615.24
Field Secretary Retirement	149.67	8.04		157.71
Maple Grove Parsonage	3,597.08	193.44		3,790.52
Amesbury Meeting House		415.60	285.70	129.90
Other Funds Subtotal	\$ 3,836.75	\$ 2,601.47	\$ 690.75	\$ 5,747.47
Non Budget Accounts Total	\$31,912.43	\$38,246.89	\$34,555.61	\$35,603.71
GRAND TOTAL: BUDGET & NON BUDGET ACCOUNTS	\$35,746.03	\$107,240.83	\$102,307.15	\$40,679.71
On deposit May 31, 1976 in	Connecticut Bank & Trust Co. (checks)			
	Society for Savings			5,331.50
	Franklin Savings Bank, NY			11,842.24
	Penobscot Savings Bank, Maine			14,764.69
	Connecticut Savings & Loan (Minute 60)			157.71
	Connecticut Savings & Loan (Student Loan)			3,987.35
				4,596.22
				\$40,679.71

Robert M. Brill, Treasurer

On June 14, 1976, I examined the books and the report of the Treasurer of the New England Yearly Meeting of Friends for the year ending May 31, 1976.

The Treasurer's report reflects the receipts and expenditures during such year and is in agreement with the total bank balances as of May 31, 1976.

Archie Meshenuk, Auditor

63. We welcome Karen Fitch, Clerk of Junior Yearly Meeting, who has read us its epistle.

JUNIOR EPISTLE

To Junior Friends Everywhere:

This year New England Junior Yearly Meeting met at Wheaton College in Norton, Massachusetts, for the week of August 16-22, 1976. This was our 316th Yearly Meeting.

This year's theme was "The Cost of Quakerism" based on the keynote address by Dwight Wilson on that subject and some of our class time was spent in discussing this.

The entire yearly meeting took a trip to the historic meeting house in Newport, Rhode Island, where our first New England Yearly Meetings were held.

There were also plenty of activities for less serious-minded Friends, such as swimming, body painting, frisbee, bowling and pool.

The Primaries have been studying William Penn. They've made pictures of him and transferred them to T-shirts or pieces of cloth for banners.

The Intermediate group learned games from Sukie Rice and Liz Yeats and created a monster named the "Gross Green Gruesome." They shared filmstrips about the truth, made silhouettes and went to the zoo.

Some of the Juniors have put together a newspaper called "The Morning Sun" which contains interviews with older people with illustrations and comics about the Yearly Meeting. The theme for the newspaper was the cost of Quakerism. Another group of juniors made up and put on a parody of a Quaker business meeting.

Because of individual concerns, Junior Highs focused on the topics of education and different forms of Quaker worship. In addition to other games, many of us found time to care for the younger Friends.

We look forward to meeting next year.

New England Junior Yearly Meeting,

Karen Fitch, Clerk

Richard Meuse, Recording Clerk

64. Jane Burgess and George Bliss are appointed to take our greetings to Junior Yearly Meeting.

65. The revised epistle, read by Louisa Alger, is approved for reading as we separate tomorrow, and for distribution to Friends everywhere.

66. The Nominating Committee has brought in three names which complete the roster of committee appointments with our approval.

67. We unite in a Quaker Statement of Support for South Koreans Undergoing Trial for Peaceful Criticism of their Government, forwarded from Philadelphia Yearly Meeting's Peace Committee. It will be returned with our endorsement for it to send to government officials as it deems most effective. We are told that resistance to oppression continues in South Korea.

68. We approve the following:

NUCLEAR POWER

The use of nuclear fission as a source of energy is a matter of deep concern for many Friends. It is not merely a technical question, but one that raises important ethical and moral issues. Questions concerning reactor safety, long term waste disposal, health and genetic risk, danger of nuclear theft and terrorism, threats to civil liberties resulting from measures to counter the terrorist danger, and other questions are still not satisfactorily answered.

Friends are also concerned because of the close relationship between the by-products of nuclear energy production and the making of nuclear weapons. Friends' ancient testimonies on simplicity dispose us to look more to energy conservation and wise use of resources, rather than to further exploitation of the earth, for the answers to our energy needs.

In light of these facts, New England Yearly Meeting of Friends calls for a halt in the building of any more nuclear power stations and a delay in the making of decisions that would commit our society to a nuclear future until these issues have been far more widely studied and discussed by all segments of our society and a workable consensus has been reached.

In the meantime, we urge that both governmental bodies and private companies and individuals greatly increase research and development efforts toward renewable energy sources (such as solar, wind, etc.); and we urge that stringent controls be enforced to protect the health and safety of workers in the coal and oil industries, and to minimize environmental damage from use of fossil fuels. Lastly, we insist that the right to appeal 'government standards' be and remain with the people.

69. New England Yearly Meeting sends greetings to those gathered at Seabrook, N.H., to oppose the building of nuclear reactors there. We share your concern and send you our love.

70. Reminded of the need for universal unconditional amnesty for war resisters, we reaffirm Minute 59 of our 1973 Yearly Meeting, which was reaffirmed in 1974 and 1975.

71. Steven Trudel has read a letter from those attending the 1976 Young Friends of North America conference at Paris, Ontario, to Bruce Baechler, whose freedom is still limited because he obeyed his conscience in violation of the draft law. We send him greetings and encourage him in his steadfast witness for peace.

72. We encourage the Friends United Meeting Committee of New England Yearly Meeting to join with other yearly meetings in raising funds for a legislative assistant on the staff of the Friends Committee on National Legislation, to work on the issues of world hunger.

73. In harmony with our ongoing concern over racism, we approve the appointment of a representative to the meetings of the Friends for Human Justice. This representative will have the usual opportunity to draw on our travel fund.

74. New England Yearly Meeting records its support for H.R. 4897, the "World Peace Tax Fund Act," which would amend "the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 to provide that a taxpayer conscientiously opposed to participation in war may elect to have his income, estate, or gift tax payments spent for non-military purposes."

75. Our attention has been drawn to the deep concern of New Zealand Yearly Meeting for the maintenance of a zone in the South Pacific free from nuclear weapons. Such a zone has been established by a United Nations Resolution. In keeping with the spirit of this resolution, we join New Zealand Yearly Meeting in urging our government to refrain from sending ships bearing nuclear weapons into the area of the South Pacific, or docking there, as one step toward the goal of a disarmed world.

76. We receive a report from Katherine B. Perry, our registrar, that 198 have attended the entire Yearly Meeting; 422 have been present some of the time.

77. We recommend that the Executive Council negotiate with Wheaton College, hoping to hold our next sessions here at about the same time in August 1977, if satisfactory arrangements can be made.

78.

REPORT OF REPRESENTATIVES

The Representatives met twice; Monday and Tuesday evenings. The Representatives' Nominating Committee recommended and the Representatives approved the following names for clerks to be presented to the Yearly Meeting for its action: Presiding Clerk, Caleb A. Smith; Recording Clerk, Thomas Bassett; Reading Clerks, Margaret Angell and Thomas Hancock.

The Representatives Nominating Committee to bring in names next year for the Yearly Meeting Clerks is William Watson, Debra Warren, James Achterberg.

A group of junior young Friends from Burlington Monthly Meeting, known as the "Earthquakers," spoke to the Representatives of their study of Quaker history and testimonies, their trip to England, and their plans for a year-long trip on a peace mission.

The Representatives studied the proposed Nominating Committee report and forwarded it to the Yearly Meeting, recommending its adoption.

The Representatives had a full discussion of the proposed budget, and sent it on to the Yearly Meeting, recommending its adoption.

William Watson of Cambridge Meeting has prepared a booklet on how to be a Recording Clerk. The booklet is for sale in the Yearly Meeting bookstore.

A suggestion was made that a card file of the vital statistics and talents of each member of each local Meeting be prepared and maintained for the use of the Yearly Meeting Nominating Committee and local Meetings. The idea was appreciated, but the practical problems of maintaining such a file in our busy and ever-changing lives were felt to be overwhelming.

Thomas R. Bodine Presiding Clerk
Miriam E. Brown, Recording Clerk

79. We approve the nominations for clerks for the coming year;

Presiding Clerk:	CALEB A. SMITH
Recording Clerk:	THOMAS BASSETT
Reading Clerk:	THOMAS HANCOCK
Reading Clerk:	MARGARET ANGELL

We record our appreciation for the service of Ruth Kellam, retiring Reading Clerk.

80. The following were recorded as present at Representatives' Meeting:

ACTON: Elizabeth Boardman, Elizabeth Muench, Sandy Eccleston, John Barlow; ALLEN'S NECK: Andrew Grannell, Doris Ashley, Michael Carter; BENNINGTON: Thoreau Raymond; BURLINGTON: Thomas Bassett, Alice Wiser, Nathan Wiser; CAMBRIDGE: William Watson, Emily Sander, Rosly Walter, Lois Brown, Elmer Brown; CHINA: Ralph Austin, Myrtle Austin, Miriam E. Brown; DOVER: Amna Stabler, Mary Gale Anderson; DURHAM: Bernice Douglas, Margaret Wentworth; HANOVER: J. Barclay Jones, Anna Jones, Susan Chambers; HARTFORD: Marion Jessell, Robert Brill, Thomas Bodine, Jeanne Clepper, Henry Baechler, Margaret Morrison; LYNN: Grace Bliss, Frances Gove; MARION: Mark C. Simon, Susan Simon; MIDCOAST: Ann Armstrong; MIDDLETOWN: Susan Devokaitis; MONADNOCK: Virginia R. Towle; MT. TOBY: Thomas Hancock, Marjorie Hancock, Bruce Hawkins, Philip Woodbridge; NEW BEDFORD: Jeannette A. Smith, Robert Humphrey; NEW

HAVEN: Betsy Lewis; NEW LONDON: Jean Mitchell, Hobart Mitchell, Alison Oldham, James Oldham; NORTH FAIRFIELD: Grace Luder; ORONO: Molly Duplisea, Eric Duplisea, George Lear, Helen Lear; PLAINFIELD: Alan Walker; PLEASANT STREET: Theodore Von Laue, Joseph Zegarra; PORTLAND: Selah Richmond, Tracy Booth; PROVIDENCE: James E. Achterberg, Henry Foster, John Kellam, Ruth Kellam, Ashley Warner; SANDWICH, MA: John Hall, David Douglas, Gregg Hibbs, Louise McManus; SMITHFIELD: Kenneth M. Strobel; STORRS: Clay Steinberger, Nancy Hewlett-Romer, Howard Reed; VASSALBORO: Ann C. Edmondson, Ernest Weed; WEARE: Ruth Woodbridge, Oscar Frazer; WELLESLEY: Finley Perry, Sylvia Perry, Samuel Burgess, Jane Burgess, Sarah Gaffney; WESTERLY: Kathleen Bammer, Debra Warren; WESTPORT: Lawrence Kennison, Frances Howland; WINTHROP: Richard Dyer, Alice Whiting, Eleanor Bailey; WORCESTER: Gregory Harrison, Hermann Patt.

81. Committees which were not given time for full reports in the business sessions were afforded an opportunity for a two minute report at some time during our sessions to call attention to their work. The written reports of these committees follow:

COMMITTEE ON AGING

We define Aging this way: the totality of changes in the life span from birth to death with special interest in the latest bands of that stretch of life.

From correspondence with Monthly Meeting clerks, the Committee finds its purpose to be legitimate, in step with the times, but frequently to be an unattractive topic for consideration. That purpose has been: to serve Monthly Meetings in their own efforts toward understanding of the aging process, biologically, socially, financially, and spiritually. The tools to implement the purpose have been: correspondence, visitation, personal conversations, news in the *New England Friend*, professional work of our members in the wider community.

Things some of the twelve members have done:

1. Committee Days: attendance averaging 3-5 members; 4 visitors, Ministry and Education Secretary;
2. Two interfaith conferences, Worcester, MA area, 3-5 members;
3. Yearly Meeting workshops: 1975 — on Retirement; 1976 scheduled for new frontiers on aging;
4. Visitation to Philadelphia Yearly Meeting office on Aging and 3 Monthly Meetings;
5. Enquiry into Government and Non-Governmental Organizational agencies on Aging;
6. Professional services as in Worcester, MA, and Portland, ME;
7. Readings and personal exchange on the subject.

FRIENDS WORLD COMMITTEE FOR CONSULTATION

In mid-November Thelma Babbitt, Elmer Brown, Hobart Mitchell, and Beatrice Wehmeyer attended the annual meeting of the Friends World Committee for Consultation in Muncie, Indiana, which met to consider Quakerism as a world movement and its relation to the United Nations. Following talks concerning "Friends Responses to Present-Day Living," the meeting members divided into study groups to consider one of the four subjects: 1) Quaker worship and meditation, 2) Learning to live with fear and anxiety, 3) Quakers and the political realities of 1975, and 4) Responsibilities in prosperity.

During the succeeding months Elmer Brown developed the New England FWCC group's plans for a Pre-Triennial Gathering of overseas Friends and New England Friends in the Rufus Jones country of South China, Maine, July 15. Overseas Friends electing to participate would be given hospitality by members of the Monadnock, Cambridge, Mt. Toby, New London, and Portland Meetings from their arrival on Monday to Wednesday, July 12-14. During that time they would have the opportunity to visit any Quaker places of historical significance in those vicinities and to meet with the Friends of those areas. On Thursday, the Pre-Triennial Gathering would be held at

China Camp with talks by Elizabeth Gray Vining and Mary Hoxie Jones and visits about the Rufus Jones country.

In early April, Thelma Babbitt, who was then in Africa, attended the United Nations Environment Conference in Nairobi, Kenya, as a delegate of the FWCC. She reported on it afterward to William Barton, FWCC executive secretary.

In July, Georgana Foster, Hobart Mitchell, and Beatrice Wehmeyer were the New England representatives at the Friends Triennial Gathering at McMaster College in Hamilton, Ontario, Canada. Plans are to consider the concerns that World Friends presented and discussed at the Triennial Gathering in a workshop during the 1976 New England Yearly Meeting.

RIGHT SHARING OF WORLD RESOURCES

The United States, with about 6% of the population of the world, uses about 40% of the resources of the world. In this country, the average yearly income, per person, is about \$5000. In India, the average yearly income, per person, is about \$100. Of course, some of us here do not have as much as \$5000 per person. In India, also, some do not have \$100.

Our committee does not ask that we should try to live on \$100. That would not help us nor other countries either. But there is much we can do. We can learn to eat enough for good health, so that we don't, as a nation, have so much concern for obesity and cholesterol problems, while other nations fight famine. We can help one another learn to live without a second car, a motorboat, or assorted power tools for our hobbies while some countries cannot get fuel for their irrigation pumps.

There is much studying to be done, because there are no easy answers to the gigantic problems. For instance, in some dry areas of the world, irrigation can produce a few bumper crops and then the irrigation water and the subsoil water combine to produce a salinization in the soil that renders it sterile. We are studying and will keep on, and while studying the over-all problems, we will also help as we can—small projects in a small way.

This year, New England Yearly Meeting has raised over \$1200.00 to send to projects such as Dr. Behrhorst's Clinic in Chimaltenango in Guatemala, where teams of agronomists, family planning educators, and paramedical personnel are working in small rural communities; and Bela Banerjee's children's center in Madhamgram near Calcutta, where she will be combining a small clinic, public health teaching, and a nursery school.

STUDENT LOAN AND SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

The Student Loan and Scholarship Committee, established in 1898, currently has 19 loans outstanding totalling \$15,504.92. Nine borrowers have completed their courses and have begun repayments. No new loans were made this past year. The Committee is finalizing new application forms and repayment plans. Dover Monthly Meeting contributed \$500 seed money to encourage other Monthly Meetings to give generously to the Fund Drive which will be initiated to bring more funds for lending to new applicants.

MOSHER BOOK AND TRACT COMMITTEE

Again this past year we found our funds still depleted. So instead of giving books we sent each Monthly, Preparative or Allowed Meeting a copy of Daisy Newman's pageant, *Peaceably With All Men*. We also sent 44 subscriptions to *Quaker Life* to pastors and workers in New England along with the two schools in Ramallah and New England Friends Home. We also sent *Friends Journal* to two who requested it.

WIDER MINISTRIES COMMITTEE

The Wider Ministries Committee has continued its concerns for native Americans, the Freedmen's Fund and Friends ministries in foreign lands. We can report one member's support of the Connecticut Indians efforts to organize themselves. We have helped three medical students with grants from the Freedmen's Funds.

We are continuing to collect plastic bottles to send to the Friends Hospital in Kaimosi and another shipment will be made after Yearly Meeting.

The problems of the Middle East and Friends schools there have been the subjects of two of our Yearly Meeting workshops.

Our concern with the problem of World Hunger has made us realize that the problems of the developing world are increasing much faster than our efforts to help solve them. The Friends United Meeting is supporting a Friend in Washington, Tim Atwater, to work especially on the problems associated with World Hunger and we encourage local Meetings and members to help in this effort.

Sunday, August 22

82. Hobert Mitchell, Clerk of the Correspondence Committee, has read the final draft of the New England Yearly Meeting Epistle:

NEW ENGLAND YEARLY MEETING EPISTLE

To Friends Everywhere:

On our three hundred sixteenth anniversary, the New England Yearly Meeting of Friends was held at Wheaton College in Norton, Massachusetts, August 16-22, 1976. Dwight L. Wilson in the opening address said that Friends must catch fire again, stand against today's psychological violence and social discrimination, and make the pursuit of Truth their lifestyle.

Complementing this statement, discussion developed during our later sessions among both Young Friends and older ones concerning our need, and our deep desire, to strengthen greatly our bonds with our Young Friends and our outreach. We were charged with personal unwillingness even to admit to being Quaker and unwillingness to share our insights with people even when they are in desperate need. Concern for the spiritual health of our local meetings and their youth was also expressed, but rather than create new committees and techniques, it was urged that the local Ministry and Counsel committees must nurture the inner health of the Meeting and that each individual, seeking the Light, must allow the Spirit to speak through him or her.

Morning worship, worship-sharing groups, our Bible study half hours, and the three groups studying the ways to inner growth have been the spiritual ground of our week. In other workshops we have been seeking ways to generate economic alternatives to the production of armaments and to solve the problems of criminal justice, world hunger, and nuclear energy. In this last regard, our Board of Managers of Investments and Permanent Funds, at a power company's annual meeting of stockholders, testified against the proposed Seabrook Nuclear Power Plant and voted our two thousand shares against it. Young and older Friends demonstrated against the Trident submarine at a plant in a nearby town, joining on their way a section of the Continental Walk for Disarmament and Social Justice. New attenders at Yearly Meeting were given a warm welcome and some explanation of Friends' business procedures. Anna Langston detailed the costs and gains of Friends' work in Ramallah, and E. Raymond Wilson described in detail the overwhelming costs of war and the burning need for every one of us to work passionately for peace.

We went one day in a body to the restored Great Meeting House in Newport, Rhode Island, to hold worship and a business session where Friends had first met some three hundred years ago.

We have been blest by the week's opportunity to be again with the many Friends whom we cannot see at any other time during the year. We have received from many parts of the world your epistles; they renew our awareness that we are one family seeking the Light of God and striving for peace and justice and lovingkindness throughout the world.

On behalf of the New England Yearly Meeting of Friends,

Caleb A. Smith, Presiding Clerk
Thomas Bassett, Recording Clerk

83. Thomas Hutcheson reads the Young Friends' epistle:

YOUNG FRIENDS EPISTLE

Greetings and Love to Friends Everywhere!

Young Friends of the New England Yearly Meeting met this year at Wheaton College in Norton, Massachusetts, from August 16 to 22, 1976. Approximately 40 Young Friends were present and many of these were first-time attenders. Two Young Friends from New York Yearly Meeting brought us their love. Young Friends return this love in hope of strengthening the ties between our Yearly Meetings.

Young Friends sponsored no workshops this year and instead attended other Yearly Meeting programs. While Young Friends found this integration with the Yearly Meeting meaningful and rewarding, difficulties arose in developing our own sense of community. We would like to be able to participate in both activities of the Yearly Meeting as a whole and those within our group. Although there are many problems associated with this, we are optimistic about finding a solution.

The first night of Yearly Meeting Young Friends gathered for an informal introduction session of group sensitivity exercises. This helped to break down many inhibitions and open the group.

On Thursday, most of the Yearly Meeting travelled to Newport to see the meeting house and hold the day's business session, but most of the Young Friends and a few older Friends attended a demonstration against the Trident submarine (nuclear) missile system at Quonset Point, Rhode Island. They also joined for part of the Continental Walk for Disarmament and Social Justice.

Young Friends helped with all-age activities throughout the week which included body painting and various sports such as softball and frisbee.

Albert Bigelow volunteered his services and led an extremely stimulating discussion on non-violence, both in general and in his own life.

Junior Yearly Meeting sponsored a folk-square dance which was enjoyed by all involved. Many Young Friends danced and learned much during the evening.

Bill Foster led a one-night workshop on the theme "Who am I?" Bruce Weber, who travelled by bus from Indiana, gave a talk on Social Justice using quotations from the Old Testament. Along with these philosophical discussions we also invited Cathy Carter who gave a very worthwhile presentation of problems concerning the Third World.

The biggest accomplishment of this Yearly Meeting, in our opinion, was the beginning of the disintegration of prejudicial barriers between Young Friends and the rest of the Yearly Meeting. We hope and feel that many useful ideas and commitments will come from our involved sessions. Communication became strained at times but this was merely an indication of the urgency of the issues, which along with a general gap in understanding includes such problems as releasing Young Friends for conferences, and, as was mentioned before, involvement of Young Friends in the whole of the Yearly Meeting. We extend our sincere appreciation to the Yearly Meeting for its deep support and concern in its response to our appeal!

Again, we extend our love to all Friends in witness and affirmation of our Quaker ideals.

Misha Meshenuk, Clerk

Epistle Committee: Sara Roberts, Ted Achterberg, Thomas Hutcheson

84. In concluding our Yearly Meeting sessions for 1976 we are resolved to maintain an awareness of the divine commission brought to us both by the written word and by the light within. We have heard of the costs of accepting that commission, and have been told that we should not undertake the commission if we must ask how great is the cost. We have been made aware of the running of the sand in the hourglass and that unless we catch the divine fire we will be consumed by earth's fire. We go forth resolved to devote ourselves to the furthering of God's kingdom.

We now conclude our sessions purposing to meet in 1977 at a time and place to be determined by the Executive Council.

CALEB A. SMITH, Presiding Clerk

THOMAS BASSETT, Recording Clerk

Thomas Bassett

YEARLY MEETING PROGRAM

1976

Monday, August 16

- 4:00 P.M. Permanent Board
 6:45 JYM Parents/Adult Counselor and Staff Meeting
 7:30 Opening Session: Dwight L. Wilson, "The Cost of Quakerism"
 8:45 Representatives Meeting
 Orientation Session for New Attenders

Tuesday, August 17

- 7:15 A.M. Early Morning Worship
 8:45 Bible Half Hour, Margaret Roberts, "Christ Creativeness: Discipleship with Jesus"
 9:30-10:30 Worship-Sharing Groups
 10:45 Business Session: Introduction of Visiting Friends; Report of Ministry and Counsel, State of Society, Concerns; Quarterly Meeting Concerns
 1:30 P.M. All-Age Activities
 4:00-5:30 Workshops
 7:00 Singing
 7:30 Business Session: Friends Community Development Corporation, New England Friends Home; Quarterly Meeting Concerns
 9:00 Representatives Meeting

Wednesday, August 18

- 7:15 A.M. Early Morning Worship
 8:45 Bible Half Hour: Margaret Roberts, "Christ Creativeness: Discipleship of Early Christians"
 9:30-10:30 Worship-Sharing Groups
 10:45 Business Session: Nominating Committee, Executive Council, Field Secretary, Statistics, Ministry and Education Secretary
 1:30 P.M. All-Age Activities
 4:00-5:30 Workshops
 7:00 Singing
 7:30 Business Session: Permanent Board, Coordinating Committee of Moses Brown and Lincoln Schools, Ad Hoc Committee on Friends Educational Needs

Thursday, August 19

- 7:15 A.M. Early Morning Worship
 8:45 Bible Half Hour: Margaret Roberts, "Christ Creativeness: Sensitivity and Awareness"
 9:30-10:30 Worship-Sharing Groups
 10:45 Leave for Newport, Rhode Island
 1:00-2:30 P.M. Business Session at Old Newport Meeting House: The Newport Meeting House, Catharine M. Wright; Yearly Meetings of Friends for New England at Newport, R.I., Thyra Jane Foster; Report of Faith and Practice Review Committee
 7:00 Singing
 7:30 Evening Session: Anna Langston, "The Costs and Gains of Ramallah"

Friday, August 20

7:15	A.M.	Early Morning Worship
8:45		Bible Half Hour: Margaret Roberts, "Christ Creative- ness: His Healing and Caring"
9:30-10:30		Worship-Sharing Groups
10:45		Business Session: China Camp, Christian Education, Young Friends, Correspondence, Committee Concerns
12:30	P.M.	United Society of Friends Women. Margaret Roberts, "Activities of Quaker Women in Australia."
2:00		All-Age Activities
4:00-5:30		Workshops
7:00		Singing
7:30		Evening Session: E. Raymond Wilson, "The Cost of Peace"

Saturday, August 21

7:15	A.M.	Early Morning Worship
8:45		Bible Half Hour: Margaret Roberts, "Christ Creative- ness: From the Jesus of History to the Christ of Today"
9:30-10:30		Worship-Sharing Groups
10:45		Business Session: Finance Committee, Plans for next Yearly Meeting, Committee Concerns
4:00	P.M.	Business Session: Representatives' Report, Committee Concerns
7:00		Evening Session: The Lighter Side of the Yearly Meeting

Sunday, August 22

7:30	A.M.	Early Morning Worship
9:15-10:15		Worship-Sharing Groups
10:30		Meeting for Worship
2:00		Concluding Session: "A Message of Concern," Lorton G. Heusel, Epistle, Concluding Minute
3:30		Permanent Board

WORKSHOPS

1. Children and Non-Violence.
2. A Practical First Day School.
3. Problems of Nuclear Energy.
4. Economic Alternatives to Arms Production.
5. Friends Activities Concerning Criminal Justice.
6. Getting Along With Less.
7. World Hunger: Friends in the Middle East.
8. A Peace the World Cannot Understand.
9. The Inward Journey.
10. Turning Toward the Light.
11. Handbook Preparation: Growth in the Light Through the Stresses of
Family Life.
12. Building Enduring Relationships.
13. Concerns from the 1976 Friends Triennial Gathering.
14. Older and Bolder.
15. Admission to and Organization of The Friends Community.
16. Meeting the Financial Costs of Quakerism.

Tabulated Statement of Membership Changes in New England Yearly Meeting for the Year Ending 12-31-1975

	Gains										Losses																	
	No. of Members, 1974	Omissions last Report	Additions by Birth	Additions by Request	Addition from another Friends Meeting	Total Additions	Error in last Report	Death	Discontinuance, Resignation or Disowment	Cert. to other Frds. Mtg. Letter to another Den.	Total Loss	No. Members this Year	Net Gain	Net Loss	Number of Males	Number of Females	Number under age 25	Number over age 65	Number of Junior Mbrs.	Jr. Members Trans. to Active Membership	No. of Resident Mbrs.	No. of Non-Resident Members	Att'd. at Sun. Wor. (est.)	Sojourning & Affil. Mbrs.	Part. Sun. Classes or Dis.	Reg. Weekday Meetings	Mbrs. attending Friends' Schools and Colleges	
Hartford	232	0	7	8	0	15	0	5	3	3	0	11	236	4	0	97	139	86	39	78	1	160	76	65	0	75	0	3
Middletown	35	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	36	1	0	17	19	10	3	9	1	24	12	20	0	12	0	1
Mt. Toby	225	0	1	3	0	4	0	1	0	3	1	5	224	0	1	113	111	69	29	89	0	151	73	108	0	110	0	1
New Haven	66	1	0	4	1	6	0	2	1	2	0	5	67	1	0	32	35	23	6	18	0	43	24	45	5	20	1	1
New London	27	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	27	0	0	8	19	10	10	0	0	23	4	18	0	18	1	2
Pleasant Street	38	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	39	1	0	21	18	9	8	6	0	26	13	20	23	15	0	0
Storrs	65	0	3	2	2	7	0	0	3	0	0	3	69	4	0	31	38	25	4	20	0	50	19	34	1	20	1	4
Conn. Valley Q.M.	688	1	11	19	3	34	0	8	7	8	1	24	698	10	0	319	379	232	99	220	2	477	221	310	29	270	3	12
Concord	17	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	19	2	0	7	12	0	1	0	0	18	1	16	0	0	0	0
Dover	120	0	0	2	0	2	0	4	0	0	0	4	118	0	2	50	68	21	19	20	0	61	57	37	4	16	0	0
Weare	59	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	4	0	0	5	54	0	5	25	29	0	0	0	0	25	29	10	0	0	0	0
Dover Q.M.	196	0	0	4	0	4	0	5	4	0	0	9	191	0	5	82	109	21	20	20	0	104	87	63	4	16	0	0
Durham	133	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	133	0	0	53	80	34	27	35	0	79	54	36	0	28	1	0
Parsonsfield	32	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	31	0	1	17	14	2	3	7	0	17	14	9	0	0	0	0
Portland	87	0	0	1	0	1	0	2	0	2	4	84	0	3	0	27	57	14	27	12	0	63	21	27	0	18	1	1
Sandwich	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	2	6	0	6	0	0	3	5	4	0	0	0	0
Windham	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	49	0	1	15	34	5	13	0	0	49	0	35	0	25	0	0
Falmouth Q.M.	310	0	0	1	1	2	0	4	1	0	2	7	305	0	5	114	191	55	76	54	0	211	94	111	0	71	2	1

Bennington	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	3	0	4	32	0	4	13	19	7	8	3	0	18	14	22	0	6	1	0	
Burlington	60	0	0	2	4	6	0	0	2	0	0	2	0	2	64	4	0	31	33	17	5	18	0	42	22	40	0	0	1	0	
Hanover	84	4	1	7	6	18	0	1	4	2	0	7	95	11	0	49	46	35	13	28	0	76	19	45	3	0	0	0	0	0	
Monadnock	48	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	48	0	0	24	24	18	6	0	0	38	10	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Plainfield	53	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	6	0	14	39	0	14	15	24	7	0	0	0	35	4	10	0	0	0	1	0	
Putney	21	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21	0	0	7	14	0	2	2	0	18	3	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	
So. Starksboro*	0	0	0	13	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	13	0	5	8	0	0	0	0	0	4	9	15	0	0	0	0	0	
Northwest Q.M.	302	4	1	9	23	37	9	1	6	11	0	27	312	10	0	144	168	84	34	51	0	231	81	164	3	6	2	1	0	0	
N. Dartmouth	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	49	0	1	23	26	5	4	7	0	24	25	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Providence	177	0	0	2	1	3	0	4	0	0	0	4	176	0	1	92	84	61	35	45	0	123	53	64	1	28	0	5	0	0	
Smithfield	65	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	65	0	0	25	40	3	29	3	0	46	19	20	0	14	0	1	0	0	
Westerly	38	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	2	0	0	2	37	0	1	15	22	3	7	3	0	19	18	15	0	16	0	0	0	0	
Worcester	108	0	0	1	0	1	1	1	17	0	0	19	90	1	19	41	49	20	19	20	0	75	15	15	0	15	0	0	0	0	
Rhode Island-																															
Smithfield Q.M.	438	1	0	3	1	5	1	6	19	0	0	26	417	0	21	196	221	92	94	78	0	287	130	122	1	58	0	6	0	0	
Acton	38	0	1	0	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	41	3	0	21	20	19	3	19	0	27	14	30	1	25	0	4	0	0	
Amesbury	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	2	4	0	0	0	0	3	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Cambridge	645	1	3	22	17	43	3	6	9	11	2	31	657	12	0	292	365	204	71	186	0	428	229	364	6	105	4	13	0	0	
Lawrence	58	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	57	0	1	20	37	4	60	2	0	36	21	21	1	13	0	0	0	0	
Lynn	31	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	32	1	0	10	22	3	15	3	0	21	11	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Wellesley	162	2	0	1	8	11	0	1	4	2	0	7	166	4	0	71	95	71	8	76	1	126	40	70	3	40	2	6	0	0	
Salem Q.M.	940	3	5	23	27	58	3	8	13	13	2	39	959	19	0	416	543	301	157	286	1	641	318	498	11	183	6	23	0	0	
Allen's Neck	84	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	2	82	0	2	31	51	15	23	14	0	57	25	30	4	16	1	1	0	0	
Dartmouth	79	0	2	2	1	5	0	1	0	0	0	1	83	4	0	33	50	16	14	7	0	75	8	30	1	48	1	2	0	0	
Marion	8	1	0	2	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	3	0	4	7	1	4	0	0	9	2	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	
New Bedford	55	3	0	2	0	5	1	1	0	0	0	2	58	5	2	22	36	0	33	0	0	38	20	25	0	3	1	0	0	0	
Sandwich	92	1	2	1	3	7	0	1	2	0	0	3	96	4	0	41	55	21	31	26	1	55	41	46	2	45	0	3	0	0	
Swansea	83	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	83	0	0	41	42	12	9	0	0	43	40	20	0	10	0	0	0	0	
Westport	81	0	0	4	0	4	0	0	1	0	0	1	84	3	0	31	53	14	32	9	1	58	26	30	0	17	0	0	0	0	
Sandwich Q.M.	482	5	4	11	4	24	1	4	3	1	0	9	497	15	0	203	294	79	146	56	2	335	162	189	7	139	3	6	0	0	
China	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	2	23	0	2	5	18	0	10	0	0	10	13	60	0	2	0	0	0	0	
Midcoast	33	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	35	2	0	14	21	10	9	5	0	28	7	21	6	8	2	0	0	0	
North Fairfield	21	0	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	23	2	0	9	14	3	10	0	0	11	12	10	0	6	0	0	0	0	
Oak Grove	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	1	3	0	3	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Orono	13	4	0	1	2	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	7	0	10	10	7	2	4	0	13	7	10	0	5	0	0	0	0	
Vassalboro	69	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	69	0	0	34	35	20	13	36	0	43	26	25	0	11	1	2	0	0	
Winthrop	83	0	0	3	1	4	0	1	0	0	1	2	87	4	0	29	58	4	18	0	0	68	19	60	0	35	2	0	0	0	
Vassalboro Q.M.	248	6	0	6	4	16	0	3	0	1	1	5	261	13	0	102	159	44	65	45	0	173	88	186	6	67	5	2	0	0	
Totals	3604	20	21	76	63	180	14	39	53	34	6	146	3640	36	0	1576	2064	908	691	810	5	2459	1181	1643	61	871	21	51	0	0	

* South Starksboro transferred from New York Yearly Meeting.

DIRECTORY OF MEETINGS

Direct Correspondence to Clerk or Pastor

CONNECTICUT VALLEY QUARTERLY MEETING

Clay Steinberger, Clerk. Held on the first weekends of February and May, and the third weekend in October; in February at West Hartford; in May at New Haven, Middletown, or Storrs; in October at Mt. Toby. Hours of meeting vary. Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Counsel the same day or evening before, Thomas Hancock, Clerk.

Meeting	Location	Sunday Worship	Sunday Study	Business Meeting	Clerk, Corres., Pastor
Hartford Mo. Meeting	144 S. Quaker Lane, West Hartford, CT 06119	10:00	11:00	2nd Thursday, Except July & August, 7:30	Helen E. Brill, Clerk
Middletown Mo. Meeting	Russell House, Cor. Washington and High Streets, Middletown, CT	10:00		3rd Sunday, homes of mem- bers, 7:30	Wistar Comfort, Clerk
Mt. Toby Mo. Meeting	Rt. 63, 3½ miles north of North Amherst, MA	9:00 & 11:00 10:00, June-Sept.	10:00	3rd Friday, 7:30	Joseph Havens, Clerk
Amherst Prep. Meeting	Consult Clerk			Call of Clerk	David Clark, Clerk
Berkshire All'd Meeting	Home of Lester Clarke, Rt. 102, South Lee, MA	11:00			Lester Clarke, Corres.
Greenfield Prep. Mtg.	Deerfield, MA, Woolman Hill, Keets Rd., off Route 5	9:00		2nd Sunday, 10:00	Gary Gustafson, Corres.
S. Hadley Prep. Mtg.	Consult Clerk			Call of Clerk	David Holden, Clerk
New Haven Monthly Mtg.	Faculty Room, Conn. Hall, Old Campus, Yale U., New Haven, CT; summer at Berkeley Center, 363 St. Ronan St.	9:45	9:45	2nd Sunday, 11:00	Ruth Hawes, Clerk
New London Monthly Mtg.	Thames Learning Center, 622 Williams St., New London, CT 06320	10:00	11:00	3rd Sunday, 11:00	Bettie Chu, Clerk

Pleasant Street Monthly Mtg.	901 Pleasant Street, Worcester, MA 01602	11:00	2nd Sunday, 1:00	Norman W. Klein, Clerk
Storrs Monthly Meeting	57 Hunting Lodge Rd., Storrs, CT 06268	10:00	3rd Sunday	Lawrence Parrish, Clerk
Watertown Monthly Mtg.	Public Library, 470 Main St., Watertown, CT	10:00	2nd & 4th Sundays	Fred L. Wheeler, Clerk

DOVER QUARTERLY MEETING

Donald Baker, Clerk. Held on the fourth Sunday in April at Dover, on the third Saturday in August at Weare (Henniker Meeting House), and on the fourth Saturday in October at Gonic. Worship at 11:00 a.m.; luncheon at noon; 1:00 p.m. business and program; except Dover where worship is at 10:30.

Concord Monthly Meeting	Merrimack Valley Day Care Ctr., 19 N. Fruit St. (near corner of Pleasant St.), Concord, NH	10:00	Alternates 2nd Sun. after lunch & 2nd Sat. evening	Roberta Nichols, Clerk
Dover Monthly Meeting	Consult Clerk for place of Busi- ness Meeting (alternates Dover & Gonic)		Sunday before Q.M. following worship; or at Call of Clerk	Shirley Leslie, Clerk
Dover Prep. Meeting	Central Ave. at Trakey St., Dover, NH	10:30	2nd Tuesday, except July & August	Amna Stabler, Clerk
Gonic Prep. Meeting	Maple Street, Gonic, NH	10:30	1st Sunday, 11:45	Edith Teague, Clerk
West Epping All'd Mtg.	Friend St., off Old Rt. 101, West Epping, NH	10:30		Fritz Bell, Corres.
Weare Monthly Meeting	Federated Church, North Weare, NH	1st & 3rd Sundays 9:45 except July & August	1st Friday, homes of members, 8:00; in August at Henniker, 10:30	Henry T. Osborne, Clerk
Henniker Mtg. for Worship	Henniker, NH	10:30 2nd & 4th Sundays		Henry T. Osborne, Corres.
Pittsfield Mtg. for Worship	Pittsfield, NH	10:30 1st & 3rd Sundays		Henry T. Osborne, Corres.

FALMOUTH QUARTERLY MEETING

Beatrice Wehmeyer, Clerk. Held on the last Saturday in January, April, and October and the fourth Saturday in August. August at Sandwich, NH; October at Windham; January at Durham; April at Portland. Worship and program at 10:30 a.m., business meeting at 1:00. Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Counsel at the call of the Clerk, Glenice Hutchins.

Meeting	Location	Sunday Worship	Sunday Study	Business Meeting	Clerk, Corres., Pastor
Durham Monthly Meeting	Durham, Maine, Rt. 125 between Freeport and Lisbon Falls	10:00	11:00	3rd Wed., 7:30	Nancy Marsteller, Clerk Peter Crysdale, Pastor
Parsonsfield Monthly Mtg.	East Parsonsfield, Maine	Contact Clerk		Call of Clerk	Dorothy Bickford, Clerk
Portland Friends Meeting	1837 Forest Avenue, Portland, ME	10:00 9:30 summer	10:00	1st Sunday, after Worship	Barbara Woodbury, Clerk
Sandwich Monthly Meeting	North Sandwich, NH	10:30 July & August		Call of Clerk	Marion I. Spaulding, Clerk
Windham Monthly Meeting	Windham Center, Maine, Route 202	9:00	10:30	3rd Sunday, after Worship	Ramona L. Gieringer, Clerk Calvin A. Libby, Pastor

NORTHWEST QUARTERLY MEETING

Robert Agard, Clerk. Held at Farm and Wilderness Camps, Plymouth Union, VT, September 11-12, 1976; Bennington, VT, December 4-5; The Meeting School, Rindge, NH, March 5, 1977; Farm and Wilderness Camps, June 4-5. Meeting on Ministry and Counsel at 8:00 p.m., Saturday, Constance St. John, Clerk.

Bennington Monthly Mtg.	Bennington Free Library, Silver St., Bennington, VT (Mail to Box 221, Bennington, VT 05201)	10:30		3rd Friday evening, homes of members	Marion C. Smith, Clerk
Burlington Monthly Mtg.	Back of 179 N. Prospect St., Burlington, VT	11:00		1st Sunday, after Worship	Larry G. Abell, Clerk
Hanover Monthly Meeting	29 Rope Ferry Rd., Hanover, NH	10:45		3rd Sun., 1:00, Sept.-June	Peter Bien, Clerk
Middlebury Monthly Mtg.	Shannon Street School, Middlebury, VT (not mailing address)	11:00		3rd Sunday	Helen & Milo Lathrop, Clerks
Monadnock Monthly Mtg.	Odd Fellows Hall, West Peterborough, NH	10:30	10:30 1st & 3rd	3rd Sunday, 11:15	Philip A. Towle, Clerk

Plainfield Monthly Mtg. Putney Monthly Meeting	Home of Alan Walker, Plainfield, VT The Grammar School, Hickory Ridge Rd., Putney, VT 1 mile east of Bristol, Starksboro, VT	10:30 10:30 10:30 2nd & 4th Sunday, June-Oct.	3rd Sunday, after Worship 3rd Sunday, after Worship Call of Clerk	Mary Ellen W. Spencer, Clerk Heidi Watts, Clerk William Birdsall, Clerk
S. Starksboro Monthly Meeting				

RHODE ISLAND-SMITHFIELD QUARTERLY MEETING

Thyra Jane Foster, Clerk. Held on the third Saturday in October, April, and July. In October 1976 at Newport Great Meeting House; April 1977 at Woonsocket; July 1977 at North Dartmouth. Meeting for worship at 11:00 a.m., business meeting at 1:30. Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Counsel at call of Clerk, Katherine Stern.

North Dartmouth Monthly Mtg.	State Road, Rt. 6, N. Dartmouth, MA, between Old Westport Rd., & Tucker Rd. 99 Morris Ave., Providence, RI	11:00 11:00	1st Sunday, after Worship 2nd Sunday, 6th, 7th months, 9:00; 2nd Sunday other months, except Aug., 1:30	Shirley E. Hill, Clerk James E. Achterberg, Clerk
Providence Monthly Mtg.				Ambrose W. Meyers, Corres.
Saylesville Worship Group Conanicut Worship Group	Great Road, Saylesville, RI Jamestown, Rhode Island	10:30 10:30 July-August 11:00		Bessie Ewen, Clerk Michael Miladin, Pastor
Smithfield Monthly Mtg.	126 Smithfield Rd., Woonsocket, RI	10:00 10:00 mid-June- mid-Sept.	Last Sunday, after Worship	Anne H. Rounds, Clerk Debra Warren, Corres.
Westerly Monthly Meeting Worcester Monthly Mtg.	57 Elm St., Westerly, RI 901 Pleasant St., Worcester, MA	10:45 10:30 June-Sept. 11:00	Last Sunday, 12:00 2nd Sunday, 1:00	Elizabeth L. Jones, Clerk

SALEM QUARTERLY MEETING

Elizabeth Muench, Clerk. Held on Sunday, May 22, 1977, at Acton, and at call of Clerk.

Meeting	Location	Sunday Worship	Sunday Study	Business Meeting	Clerk, Corres., Pastor
Acton Monthly Meeting	Donlan Hall, Massachusetts Ave., West Acton, MA	10:00	11:00	1st Sunday, 11:00	John Barlow, Clerk
Amesbury Monthly Mtg.	Junction Friend & Greenleaf Sts., Amesbury, MA	10:00		Call of Clerk	Dorothy J. Averill, Clerk
Cambridge Monthly Mtg.	5 Longfellow Park, Cambridge, MA 02138	July-August 9:30 & 11:00 10:00 summer	9:30	2nd Thursday, 7:30	Larch F. Miller, Clerk Elmer H. Brown, Executive Secretary
Boston Mtg. for Worship	Beacon Hill Friends House, 6 Chestnut St., Boston, MA 02108	11:00	10:00		
Circuit Prep. Meeting	4 Circuit Road, Chestnut Hill, MA 02167	6:00 P.M.		1st Sunday evening	
Framingham Prep. Mtg.	841 Edmonds Road, Framingham, MA	10:30		3rd Sunday, after worship	Eve Carey, Clerk
Hingham Mtg. for Worship	New England Friends Home, 86 Turkey Hill Lane, Hingham, MA 02043	10:30 summer			
Pembroke Mtg. for Worship	N. Pembroke, MA, Junction Rts. 139 & 53	Contact Corres.			Richard Archer, Corres.
Lawrence Monthly Mtg.	45 Avon St., Lawrence, MA	11:00 except July & August	10:00	1st Wed., 7:30	Albert Sifferlen, Clerk
Lynn Monthly Meeting	72 Silsbee St., off Broad St., Lynn MA	11:00		Call of Clerk	Richard S. Gove, Sr., Clerk
Wellesley Monthly Mtg.	26 Benvenue St., Wellesley, MA 02181	10:30	10:45	2nd Thursday, 7:45	Thomas Waring, Clerk

SANDWICH QUARTERLY MEETING

Ruth L. Howland, Clerk. Held on the third Saturday in January, April, July, and October. In October at Sandwich; January at Mattapoisett; April at Allen's Neck; July at Westport. Worship and business after lunch. Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Counsel at 10:30 a.m. the same day, Frances Howland, Clerk.

Allen's Neck Monthly Mtg.	Horseneck Road, Dartmouth, MA	9:45	11:00	4th Wed., 8:00	Wilfred Morrison, Clerk Michael Carter, Executive Secretary
Dartmouth Monthly Mtg.	Smith Neck Road, South Dartmouth, MA	10:15	9:00	1st Wed., 7:30	Julia C. Howland, Clerk Wallen L. Bean, Pastor Julia C. Howland, Corres.
Aponegansett Mtg. for Worship	Aponegansett, near Russells Mills	8:00 A.M. July & August			
Marion Monthly Meeting	Art Center, Marion, MA	9:30		1st Monday, 6:00	Susan Simon, Clerk
New Bedford Monthly Mtg.	Spring Street, New Bedford, MA			2nd Sunday in March, June, Sept., Dec., 2:30 Call of Clerk	Ruth H. Martocci, Clerk
New Bedford Prep. Mtg.	Spring Street, New Bedford, MA	11:00		3rd Wed., April, July, Oct., 11:00	Caleb Smith, Clerk Sydney Adams, Pastor Cynthia J. Power, Clerk
Long Plain Prep. Mtg.	Main Street, Acushnet, MA				George A. Robinson, Pastor
Mattapoisett Part. Mtg.	Route 6, 8 miles east of New Bedford, MA	11:00		1st Sunday, even months	Harold R. Hutcheson, Clerk
Sandwich Monthly Meeting	East Sandwich, MA, off Rt. 6A	11:00, 1st Sunday in August			Gordon M. Browne, Jr. Clerk
Sandwich Prep. Meeting	N. Main St., South Yarmouth, Ma	10:00	11:00	Last Sunday, after Worship	John Hall, Clerk
Yarmouth Prep. Meeting	West Falmouth, MA	11:00		Last Sunday	Gregg Hibbs, Clerk
West Falmouth Prep. Mtg.	Prospect St., Somerset, MA 1 mile north of Rt. 6	9:30	10:30	Call of Clerk	Dorothy F. Williamson, Clerk Ellsworth B. MacAfee, Pastor
Swansea Monthly Meeting	Main Road, Central Village, Westport, MA	10:45	7:30 P.M.	2nd Sunday, after Worship	Stewart Kirkaldy, Clerk
Westport Monthly Mtg.					

VASSALBORO QUARTERLY MEETING

Douglas Hollingsworth, Clerk. Held on the first Saturday in February, May, and October; second Saturday in August; second Sunday in November. February at East Vassalboro, May at Winthrop Center, August at South China, October at Orono, November at North Fairfield. Worship at 11:00 a.m., business meeting at 1:00; November meeting at 2:00 p.m. Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Counsel at call of Clerk, David Davis. Quarterly Meeting picnic, third Sunday in July. Paul and Elisabeth Cates, Quarterly Meeting Workers.

Meeting	Location	Sunday Worship	Sunday Study	Business Meeting	Clerk, Corres., Pastor
China Monthly Meeting	Worship under care of Community Fellowship Church, South China, ME, off Route 202	10:00	11:15	Wed. after 2nd Thurs., 8:00	Marion E. Jones, Clerk David Van Strein, Pastor
Midcoast Monthly Mtg.				3rd Friday, homes of members	Eberhard Schmidt, Clerk
Camden Worship Group	45 Union Street, Camden, ME	10:30			Susan Terrell, Corres.
Damariscotta Worship Group	Skidompha Library, Main St., Damariscotta, ME	10:00			
Orland Worship Group	Homes of Members, Contact Corres.	10:00			
North Fairfield Monthly Mtg.	N. Fairfield, ME, Rt. 104, 2½ mi. north of Fairfield Center	10:30	11:30	3rd Sunday, 1:30	David L. Davis, Corres. Carl Stevens, Clerk Lelia E. Taylor & Leona Stevens, Pastors Paul Cates, Contact
Oak Grove Monthly Mtg.	Oak Grove-Coburn School, Vassalboro, ME	10:00		2nd Sunday	Katherine Carter, Eric Duplisea, Clerks
Orono Monthly Meeting	Maine Christian Association, College Ave., Orono, ME	10:00	10:00	3rd Sunday, 11:00	Frank Edmondson, Clerk Paul Cates, Pastor
Vassalboro Monthly Mtg.	Upper Pleasant Street, East Vassalboro, ME	9:00 summer 11:00	10:00	Call of Clerk	Frances Harrington, Eleanor Bailey, Clerks Richard Dyer, Pastor
Winthrop Monthly Mtg.	Winthrop Center, ME, Rt. 135, 4 miles east of Winthrop	10:00 summer	10:00		

Worship Groups

Acadia	29 Mt. Desert St., Bar Harbor, ME	6:30 7:00 July & Aug.	David Wetherell, Corres.
Brooksville	Brooksville, ME, homes of members	11:00, 1st & 3rd Sundays	Helen Lear, Corres.
Industry	Industry, ME, homes of members	7:00 Last Friday of month	Will Bonsall, Corres.

FRIENDS MEETINGS IN NEW ENGLAND BELONGING TO OTHER YEARLY MEETINGS

Meeting	Location	Sunday Worship	Clerk or Corres.
Housatonic Monthly Meeting (NY)	Rt. 7, New Milford, CT 06776	10:00	David Calhoun, Clerk
Monkton Ridge Monthly Mtg. (NY)	Monkton Ridge, Vermont	9:45	Jessie Thomas, Corres.
Newport, R.I. (EFC-E)	70 Bliss Mine Rd., Middletown, RI	11:00	Arnold Barboza, Clerk
Portsmouth, R.I. (EFC-E)	Middle Road at Hedley Street	11:00	Ruth Lowery, Clerk
Stamford-Greenwich Monthly Mtg. (NY)	572 Roxbury Rd. at Westover Rd., near Den Rd. Exit of Merritt Pkwy., Stamford, CT	10:00	Barbara T. Abbot, Clerk
Wilton Monthly Meeting (NY)	317 New Canaan Road, Wilton, CT	10:00	Robert E. Leslie, Clerk

OTHER FRIENDS MEETINGS FOR WORSHIP IN NEW ENGLAND

Location	Hour of Worship	Contact Person
Adams, MA, Maple & Friend Sts.	First Sunday in September, 3:00	Mrs. William Bellman
Casco, Maine, Quaker Ridge	Each Sunday, July-August, 10:30	Betsy Maxfield Miller
Lewiston, ME, 26 Mountain Avenue	Each Sunday, 10:00, school year	Richard & Lois Wagner
Little Compton, RI, West Main Road	Fourth Sunday in August, 3:00	Carlton Brownell
Nantucket, MA	June 15-September 15, Meeting House on Fair St., 10:45; Sept. 15-June 15, Library of Maria Mitchell Association on Vestal St., 10:30	George A. Selleck
Newport, R.I.	First and third Sundays, 10:00	James & Trudi Brown Fisher Benson
South Uxbridge, MA, Rt 146	No Worship set; Open Saturday & Sunday p.m., April-September	Virginia Wheelock
Springvale, Maine, Huse Memorial Chapel, Nasson College	Each Sunday, 10:30	Ruth Hayden
Unity, NH, Quaker City, 7 miles south of Claremont	First Sunday in August, 11:00	Henry T. Osborne

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Clerk of the Yearly Meeting, of the Permanent Board, Treasurer, Retiring Clerk, Field Secretary, Ministry and Education Secretary, Young Friends Clerk, Clerks of all Yearly Meeting Committees, Executive Secretary of AFSC NERO, President of NEYM USFW

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General Board: Elmer H. Brown, Clarabel Marstaller

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Elmer H. Brown	David Douglas	Clarabel Marstaller
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Clerk: ALISON OLDHAM

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1. New England Yearly Meeting of Friends, gathered in annual session for its 317th year at Wheaton College, Norton, Massachusetts, on August 15, 1977.

2. We have been reminded of the wildfire that in several places across the country has destroyed much valuable timber yet by its devastation has prepared space where wildlife may browse. We have been inspired to take our tasks seriously but ourselves lightly, as those who in 1945 helped create a framework in which those of different views would feel comfortable working together. It was an act of dedication calling for the same faithfulness shown by those we memorialize this year, and by many before them.

3. The clerk has read greetings from William Barton on behalf of the Friends World Committee for Consultation, and from London Yearly Meeting for Sufferings in response to our last year's epistle.

4. We welcome from the worship group in Rome, Italy, Piero Alfonso and Liliana Fischetti, who hope to learn of Friends; Wilmer Cooper, Dean of the Earlham School of Religion; Dan Mark-Whitley of Williamsburg Monthly Meeting, Indiana, on the staff of Friends United Meeting; Priscilla Leeds of Friends Boarding School, Barnesville, Ohio; Mary Esther McWhirter, representing the Friends World Committee for Consultation, American Section; Caroline Nicholson Terrell and Dwight L. Wilson of the Friends General Conference Philadelphia Office; John Snyder, Wilmington, Delaware, Monthly Meeting, new director of Beacon Hill Friends House, recently with the American Friends Service Committee in Philadelphia, and his wife, Karen Paulsen Snyder of Plainfield, N.J., Monthly Meeting, New York Yearly Meeting; and Thomas Terrell, High Point Monthly Meeting, North Carolina, who has been on the China Camp staff this summer and is working with Young Friends here.

5. Alice Wiser, Coordinator of Junior Yearly Meeting, has introduced her staff: Richard Meuse, Assistant Coordinator; Ann Kriebel, Emily Connelly and Emily Sander (Pre-school and nursery), Barbie Langworthy and Daniel Warren (1st-2nd-3d graders), Bruce Hawkins and Susan Silveira (4th-5th-6th graders), Thelma Brown, Thomas Hutcheson and Paul Mangelsdorf III (7th-8th-9th graders).

6. The Young Friends' staff has also been introduced: Michael Carter, Richard Dyer, Andrew Grannell, Dorothy Grannell (workshop), Barbara Hillegass, Thomas Sander, Mark and Susan Simon. Also visiting Young Friends Joy Lawrence and Stanley Jones of Wichita, Kansas.

7. The following list of representatives includes today's roll call, supplemented with the names of those representatives who attended meetings of their body: ACTON: Jane Griswold, Joanne Hemenway, Elizabeth Muench; ALLEN'S NECK: Doris Ashley; BENNINGTON: Thoreau Raymond; BURLINGTON: Thomas Bassett, Nathan Wiser; CAMBRIDGE: Brian Drayton, Darcy Drayton, Arthur Fink, Susan Furry, Emily Sander; CONCORD: Adelaide Nichols; DOVER: Shirley Leslie, Barbara Rutledge; DURHAM: Bernice Douglas; HANOVER: Emily Connelly, Joseph Connelly, Anna H. Jones, J. Barclay Jones; HARTFORD: Robert M. Brill, Henry J. Baechler; LYNN: Lucille Corthell, Frances T. Gove; MIDCOAST: Jane Cook, Ralph Cook; MIDDLEBURY: Elizabeth Colman, Richard Colman; MIDDLETOWN: Mary Connie Comfort; MONADNOCK: Philip A. Towle, Virginia R. Towle; MT. TOBY: Marjorie Hancock, Thomas Hancock, Philip Woodbridge; NEW HAVEN: Carl Newlin; NEW LONDON: Jean Mitchell, Hobart Mitchell, Alison Oldham; NORTH DARTMOUTH: Katherine Stern, T. Noel Stern; NORTH FAIRFIELD: Grace Luder; ORONO: George A. Lear, Helen D. Lear, John Zollweg, Enid Zollweg; PORTLAND: Tracy Booty, Doris Halla; PUTNEY: Christel Holzer, Constance A. St. John; PROVIDENCE: James Achterberg, Peter Broad, Thyra Jane Foster; SANDWICH, MA.: Barbara Day, Helen Hibbs; SMITHFIELD: Kenneth M. Strobel; STORRS: Elisabeth Ambellan, Nancy Hewlett-Romer; VASSALBORO: Ernest Weed; WATERTOWN: Florence Y. Carpenter; WEARE: Ruth F. Woodbridge; WELLESLEY: Jane Burgess, Barbara Hillegass, Finley Perry, Sylvia Perry; WESTERLY: Kathleen Bammer, Debra Warren; WESTPORT: Wesley C. Panunzio; WINDHAM: Kathryn Forbes, Ramona L. Moore; WINTHROP: Richard Dyer; WORCESTER: Margaret Angell, Elizabeth Bullerwell.

8. The clerk has read greetings from Louis Schneider on behalf of the American Friends Service Committee.

9. John Sullivan has called Friends, in this good, uncomfortable, tense time to be alive, to choose the rushing main stream of history; to work in a unique way for civil rights and at the same time for social and economic rights for all people.

"Can we come to see each human being as a whole child of God whom we can love wholly as ourselves and as the neighbor we can see—and through that enormous achievement, really come to the love of God whom we cannot see—with all our heart? with all our soul? with all our mind?" (Deut. vi, 5; Matt. xx, 37-39). The challenge of violence is to obey the great commandments by translating love of neighbor into answering physical and psychic needs. Friends have contributed to the sacrifices over the centuries

for civil rights. Friends and Americans are behind some communist countries in sacrificing for what God knows our fellow humans need: satisfying work, physical securities, general welfare.

We cannot limit ourselves to nearby interpersonal relations or such superficial expressions of violence as in the media. The complex and devious influence of multi-national business collectives is a main threat to the achievement of social and economic rights and American responsibility for this hindrance is great. Our hope is insistently to challenge every process that denies our neighbor's getting any rights, testing with our inward guide for the way of God.

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10. Louisa Alger has read an English translation of the epistle of Netherlands Yearly Meeting gathered at Woudschoten, May 14-15, 1977, wishing Friends everywhere courage and faith in their attempts to be instruments of the peace of God.

11. Jean Kennison has read the report of the Committee on Ministry and Counsel on the state of society, which has stimulated Friends to look toward greater outreach—among the elderly, at demonstrations, at the statue of Mary Dyer near the Massachusetts State House, to attenders, to the inactive on committees. We appreciate the candor and comprehensiveness of this report, and resolve to work at the problem of communication in simple language, among ourselves and with inquirers.

COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY AND COUNSEL

The Ministry and Counsel Committee continued its previous work of deepening Spiritual Life and Family Life, and also responded to the urgent concern of Sandwich Quarterly Meeting that we give priority this year to help meetings spread information about Friends and reach out to seekers.

Two Spiritual Retreats were held: a mid-week one on "The Rhythm of Worship," and a weekend retreat on "Journal Keeping." Both retreats were beneficial and well attended. The committee is also responsible for morning worship and worship sharing groups at Yearly Meeting and for worship at Amesbury Meeting during the summer.

The handbook, "Growth in the Light Through the Stresses of Family Life," prepared by the Family Life subcommittee is now in its third printing. In using and discussing some of the sections several meetings have already found guidance and strength. The handbook has been shared with Friends General Conference. The subcommittee's planned conference on "The Personhood of Children" was cancelled due to low registration, while the winter conference "Building Enduring Relationships" was very worthwhile with a large group attending. We have moved from looking at just sexuality, or marriage, or divorce to working to establish deeper understanding, respect, and reverence in all relationships.

The new subcommittee on Advancement has started its work. A questionnaire to the monthly meetings was answered by 29 meetings which represent three fourths of Yearly Meeting membership. The results of the questionnaire, suggestions, and offers to help arrange outreach programs were returned to all meetings. Some meetings have expressed that their very existence as a meeting depends on reaching out for new members and attenders. Friends have reminded us that we must consider Outreach and Inreach, not just devices to gain more people but ways to strengthen our spirituality. A Yearly Meeting Workshop will try to speak to both types of advancement.

STATE OF SOCIETY

NEW ENGLAND YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS

"Striving for the constant realization of God's presence in our lives' is the reason for the existence of Friends meetings. It is the basis of our coming together, and the essence of what we carry away." Our largest meeting begins its State of Society report with these words, and we are content to let them stand here.

Worship is our energizing center. When people "bring meeting with them," the hour is a harvest of the week's growing. Yet settling is often difficult. What is said is a constant concern - some speak too often, or too easily, and many never speak. Unresolved for some is the question of whether speaking or silence is the more golden. One meeting without program wonders if music or a reading might be useful for gathering; pastoral meetings find increasing reward in part of the hour without program.

Some seek inspiration from the Bible and from early Friends' witness. There are attempts to encompass the old and the new, to find "language that is both contemporary and Christian," to profit from tradition while embracing new attenders whose experience and vocabulary are not grounded in our tradition.

Meetings for business may lack plain speech and sympathetic listening, especially in controversy, and we are not always aware that even when we hear one another we can be oblivious to The Presence in the Midst.

Many meetings have adult study and discussion. For the few children at each grade level, whose attendance is often erratic, many meetings express frustration at not finding appropriate content, although one voices delight with the Living Light curriculum. Youth work is seldom mentioned. Several meetings note the absence of certain age groups: teenagers, young adults, sometimes children; they wrestle with the challenge of attracting and gaining commitment from the young.

Members regarding their meeting as an extended family long for more contact - once a week is not enough - yet busyness and distances work against even weekly gathering. Visiting and writing are sometimes used to keep in touch with members. When together, too often we visit with those we know and fail to incorporate the stranger. In addition to worship and business, we share meals, social evenings, and sometimes overnight retreats, which help to bring us more fully into each other's lives.

Awareness of need for mutual support within the meetings, both on the practical and the spiritual levels, occasions clearness committees to minister to members in a wide variety of situations. There is concern about marriage and sexuality, but some of these topics are hard to talk about. Pastoral meetings are thankful for their pastors.

We have social concerns, and in great variety, but there seems less urgency than formerly. In the reporting, many activities sound perfunctory and habitual, although there are striking exceptions as in the area of tax resistance. In some instances what we consider the meeting's work in the larger society is the expression of a small nucleus of individuals, rather than a concern behind which the whole meeting unites. The sense of dedication to a task which is seen as vital - which enriches the giver as much as, or more than, the receiver - this sense so evident in the war years is missing today.

The meetinghouse is often shared with other groups, but in spite of the concern expressed at last Yearly Meeting outreach for new members and attenders is not reported. What we have must be discovered; we neglect to "publish Truth." Contact with other religious groups is achieved largely through the efforts of individual meeting members.

Although we are likely to love our own meetings, despite shortcomings, we know that each one is not a microcosm of the whole Religious Society. As we seek unity in the midst of our own diversity, we are members of a larger family of Friends whose absence of creed and hierarchy has invited in each valley a different experience of the One who speaks to our condition. Some do name Christ by name, and give God the glory, while others wait, watch, and listen, content to be reticent in the presence of great mystery.

We give the State of our Society a "mixed review." We see the needs of those present increase faster than our ability to respond. Our words outrun our deeds. We are at once too satisfied with accomplishments, and too overwhelmed by inadequacy. If at times activities betray shallow grounding in the Spirit, those pursuing inwardness may be losing vision of the outer world. Sometimes we answer query with query, so that we know what our questions are, but are not sure that we are making our way through to affirmation. Hopeful, not euphoric, we pray that our "fellowship and our social witness spring from the worship life of the community and reflect a deepening of inward, spiritual strength in our life together."

12. A Friend from Connecticut Valley Quarterly Meeting reported that a concern for its division into a Connecticut Quarterly Meeting and a Western Massachusetts Quarterly Meeting was discussed by a few at its session at Plymouth Union, Vermont, in June 1977.

13. Northwest Quarterly Meeting asks for help on the problems of finding suitable meeting places for monthly meetings, especially Burlington.

14. Northwest Quarterly Meeting is thankful for the experimental rotation of sites for committee days last year, and hopes the practice will continue.

15. Elizabeth Muench has read the epistle from Near East Yearly Meeting held at Brummana High School, Lebanon, March 30, 1975, with thirty-five members of the Friends World Committee for Consultation present. Ramallah Monthly Meeting has not been able to join them for many years.

16. Alison Oldham and other members of the Peace and Social Concerns Committee have presented its report and several proposed minutes.

PEACE AND SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE

The Peace and Social Concerns Committee made some progress toward its goal of becoming a full working committee, with increased activities this year. The committee met five times, twice on committee days, three times at special meetings, one of which was an all-day event. Attendance ranged from 6 to 15 members, averaging 10; two or three guests were present at most meetings. We still, regrettably, have never heard from some of our members. However, two-thirds of the committee have participated at some time during the year; and about half of those have worked actively taking on committee tasks between meetings. There is still plenty of room for improvement, but we feel encouraged.

The committee's top priority for the year, outreach to local Meetings, was pursued by means of committee member visits. Eight local Meetings were visited during the winter, in most cases by two committee members. Ten different people made the visits, some going to more than one Meeting. Both the committee members and the people in the Meetings that were visited expressed the feeling that the visits were very worthwhile, that the committee and the Meetings had learned a lot from and about each other, that useful ideas and information on specific issues had been shared, and that more of this should be done. The visits, plus good letters from two Meetings that did not request a visit but did tell us a lot about their activities and concerns, confirmed the impression that many New England Meetings are involved in an extensive range of activities on behalf of peace and social justice. We believe we have made a good start at improving contacts between the Yearly Meeting PSC Committee and local Meetings, but it is only a start. There are some Meetings with whom we have virtually no contact (whether by visitation, a person on the committee, or their participation in conferences, etc.). We must work harder to get our messages across even to Friends to say nothing of the wider community.

Among the specific issues the committee worked on were the Vietnam Reconciliation Petition (for normalizing relations with the nations of Indochina, aid for rehabilitation, unconditional amnesty, and more help for hurt veterans); and the New International Economic Order (NIEO). Petitions were circulated, and information on the NIEO was given, in committee members' home Meetings and in the Meetings we visited. A few Meetings have had extensive discussions about the NIEO.

This committee has become the locus of responsibility for forwarding the work of the New Call to Peacemaking in New England. In this connection, we sponsored, with the cooperation of the United Society of Friends Women, a Yearly Meeting-wide one-day conference in May, held in Providence, on the New Call to Peacemaking. Almost 50 people attended. With thoughtful, moving presentations by three panelists (Gordon Browne, Elizabeth Boardman, and Lesley Watson) to start the day, and active, concerned participation in the discussion groups by all present, the conference was genuinely rewarding. It is to be followed up by a workshop at the 1977 Yearly Meeting sessions and by regional conferences with New York Yearly Meeting in 1977-1978. Although opinions differ widely about the direction the New Call to Peacemaking should take, we see it as an opportunity to clarify, focus attention on, and reinvigorate our local and Yearly Meeting witness to Friends' peace testimony.

Alerted by the concerns of members of Orono and West Falmouth Meetings, the committee began to try to inform ourselves and others about the Indian land claims issue and its implications for Friends. This led to our co-sponsoring with the Wider Ministries Committee the Yearly Meeting workshop on **Native Americans and Friends**. We also plan a youth-oriented workshop on **Education and Apprenticeship for Peace**, and, in cooperation with the Right Sharing Committee, one on the NIEO. Planning for workshops constituted a good deal of the committee's work in the spring.

This year, as always, we are overwhelmed by the number, variety, and importance of the concerns that are brought to us for consideration and action. Even after eliminating all but a few, we feel called to respond to more concerns and in more ways than we can well accomplish without more working members and closer contact with more local Meetings. For this reason, we have decided to seek the guidance of the Yearly Meeting on a proposal to restructure the Peace and Social Concerns Committee along the lines of Ministry and Counsel—that is, with a representative appointed by each Monthly Meeting.

In our work and searching together this year, PSC members expressed the feeling that the concerns of this committee are not peripheral to the purposes of Friends in New England, but are indeed central; and that we need constantly to illuminate the connection between our spiritual insights and our social action.

17. We ask the Peace and social Concerns Committee to appoint representatives to the New York - New England conference on "A new call to peace making" at Powell House next November 11-13.

18. Because many members of the Peace and Social Concerns Committee have been inactive, in spite of the Nominating Committee's efforts, and to integrate local and Yearly Meeting activities, we approve the trial of the following proposal:

Each monthly meeting is asked to appoint a representative, if possible an active member of its Peace and Social Concerns Committee, in time to attend the second committee day November 19, to serve until the spring of 1979. If monthly meetings cannot find a person who can or will attend, they are asked to appoint corresponding members, who will be welcome to attend committee meetings if circumstances change for them. In addition, the Committee shall have six members at large. The current members of the Committee shall be considered members at large unless

monthly meetings appoint them as their representatives. When the number of members at large falls below six, the Nominating Committee shall begin recommending appointments.

This proposal recognizes the practice of Northwest Quarterly Meeting of appointing representatives to Yearly Meeting committees rather than having its eight small monthly meetings appoint them.

If this trial shall prove successful, the representatives of monthly meetings shall be appointed at the same time and in the same manner as representatives to the Ministry and Counsel, Nominating and Finance Committees.

19.

CAPITAL PUNISHMENT

The Society of Friends has long opposed capital punishment. We base our opposition to capital punishment, as to war, upon a fundamental belief in the sanctity of human life. Since we believe there is in every person that of God to which the human conscience can respond, we believe that there are no circumstances in which this sanctity of life can be set aside.

Our concern is for all victims of violence, both the murderer and those who suffer by his or her act. But the death penalty restores no victim to life, and only compounds the wrong committed in the first place.

We call for a redoubling of efforts, by all concerned people, to identify and understand the causes of crime, and to work diligently to eradicate those causes. Prevention, not punishment, offers the only genuine protection for the public.

Since a belief in the sanctity of human life is one of the fundamentals of a just society, we believe that the sanctioning by the state of the taking of human life has a debasing effect on the community. Legal punishment by death tends to produce the very brutality which it seeks to prevent. We believe that the real security of human life is to be found in the reverence for it, and not in the executions that pretend to support it. We, the New England Yearly Meeting of Friends, reaffirm our belief that there is no justification for taking the life of any man or any woman for any reason.

20.

NUCLEAR POWER

We reaffirm our opposition to the further construction of nuclear power plants. We welcome the increasing awareness within our society of the dangers of nuclear power and the growing support for the development of clean sources of energy and for conservation measures. We unite in support and encouragement of the courageous witness against nuclear power in New England in which some of our Yearly Meeting members and friends have participated.

21.

NUCLEAR WEAPONS

Friends are grievously dismayed that the government of the United States is developing a "neutron bomb" which would kill people and other forms of life while minimizing the destruction of property. We realize that this bomb is only one part of the massive nuclear arsenal which Friends have consistently opposed. But because for us it symbolizes an attitude which values property above life, and because of the danger that it could in fact be used when other nuclear weapons would not be, and thus might trigger all-out nuclear war, we call upon our country to reject this weapon. At the same time we reaffirm our conviction that security and peace cannot be achieved by reliance upon any weapons whatsoever.

We believe that all people, including those who are called our enemies, are infinitely precious children of God. Therefore our consciences are burdened by a national budget nearly half of which is devoted to the costs of war. We are grateful for our President's call for the eventual eradication of all nuclear weapons. It is imperative that this call be translated into prompt, positive action and that our nation turn away from the destructive and dangerous policy of nuclear deterrence. We remember the words from the book of Jonah: "let them cry mightily to God; yea, let everyone turn from his evil way and from the violence which is in his hands." As a nation we must dedicate ourselves to renewed efforts

to find peaceful solutions for conflicts and to build a world community in which every person may live in security and dignity.

22. Lois Brown and others have spoken to the report of the Wider Ministries Committee. Friends have been actively concerned with legislation affecting Indians and with the plight of Friends' schools in Ramallah.

WIDER MINISTRIES COMMITTEE

The Committee met at Yearly Meeting for organization and outlined some plans for this year's work. We also met on the four Committee Days—with good attendance and renewed interest for our responsibilities.

In order to inform ourselves better several of the Committee subscribed to **Friendly Jottings** which contains current information on the Friends United Meeting fields of work. We also have copies of the Partner Projects Directory which gives a description of more than 40 types of ministries and services rendered by Friends through the Friends United Meeting. Several of these were given out to interested persons. Copies of **American Friends in World Missions** by Christina Jones, an older book, but giving very good background of the beginning of our Quaker outreach were made available to us.

It was pointed out to us that very few Meetings are aware of the activities of our Committee. It was decided to publish a **Newsletter** twice a year. The first issue of this came out in May 1977 and was sent to selected persons in each Meeting who we trusted would share it with their whole Meetings. We had a nice letter in return from Yarmouth Meeting expressing their appreciation and requesting more copies. We have also prepared information for the **New England Friend**.

We continue our interest in "World Hunger," receiving information from the Friends Committee on National Legislation and FUM on this. We have called attention to the filmstrip and record, "What's Nice? Rice!" effectively introducing elementary children to the problems of world hunger and to the challenge to Christians to do something about it. This rents for \$1.00 and is a good introduction for discussion on the subject.

The call for plastic bottles to be brought to Yearly Meeting last year for the Kaimosi Hospital and Health Center in Africa netted 52 pounds of bandages and 46 pounds of bottles. Durham Woman's Group contributed over half the postage for this. The need still continues but the Committee feels it cannot continue to pay the postage from our very limited budget. We urge individual Meetings to send their contributions directly. Layettes are also much needed.

The Freedmen's Funds have been carefully and well administered by our sub-committee over the years. Small grants are made to blacks in or of the southern states and are used for several levels of education. Shrinking income in the past three years has brought about both reduced per student expenditures and fewer recipients. Any Funds to contribute to the principal of this fund would be welcome. The May **Newsletter** gave a brief history of this Fund.

A Conference to be held on November 5 at Cambridge Meeting will focus on the Middle-East and our schools at Ramallah. The resource persons for this will be Shirley and Dean Tuttle who will be returning in September from a three year term at the Friends Girls' School. Save the date and bring Friends with you to hear first hand information from the Middle-East.

The Committee purchased a copy of **Untempered Wind** by Christina Jones. She and her husband spent 40 years working in the Middle-East. It gives pertinent background information from a Quaker point of view. It is available for loan from the Committee.

Rebecca Miles, a June '77 graduate of Radcliffe College, who has attended Cambridge Meeting for the last four years, has received an American Friends Service Committee scholarship to teach in the Ramallah Friends Girls' School for the 1977-78 term.

Concern for our Native Americans has grown during the past year. Our Committee, with the cooperation of the Peace and Social Concerns Committee, is developing this year's Yearly Meeting Workshop for four days on this theme.

There will be Indian and white resource persons from each of the New England states. It will be interesting and informative we trust and will at the same time arrive at some recommendations we can work toward during the coming year. We appreciate the contributions from the Peace and Social Concerns Committee, the Obadiah Brown Fund, and those who contributed to our April Bake Sale to supplement our meager budget to make this kind of a Workshop possible. The Indian Affairs Working Party sub-committee has carried the responsibility for planning this.

23. We note with great concern the potential for prejudice-born over-reaction which accompanies the growing self awareness among Indians in New England and their attempts to secure legal and economic rights. We believe that factual information about these matters can help to find a more peaceful and just response by the neighbors of the Indians. We commit ourselves to a process of continuing education on this concern within New England Yearly Meeting and will strive for greater outreach to monthly meetings. Through this process we look to renew the historic friendship between Friends and Indians.

We approve the continuation of the Indian Affairs Working Party within the existing framework of the Wider Ministries Committee in cooperation with Peace and Social Concerns Committee, Friends Committee on National Legislation, American Friends Service Committee, and Associated Committee of Friends on Indian Affairs.

24. Gregory Harrison has read the report of the Permanent Board.

PERMANENT BOARD

The Permanent Board has met five times since the end of the 1976 Yearly Meeting: on this campus last August, at Hanover in November, at Wellesley in February, at Amesbury in June, and again on this campus yesterday.

In response to the decision of the Board of Overseers of Lincoln School to form a Lincoln School Corporation for the operation of that institution, a course of action allowed by the 1975 Yearly Meeting, an ad hoc committee of the Permanent Board met with those overseers, and brought to us a lease, corporation by-laws, articles of association and a quitclaim deed for property not contiguous to the school. We approved the terms of a 99-year lease to be entered into between the Yearly Meeting and the Lincoln School Corporation, and authorized the Presiding Clerk of the Yearly Meeting to sign that lease and the quitclaim deed.

We heard read this minute, the first to be approved by the new Lincoln School Corporation:

"Lincoln School: Resolution of Cooperation with The New England Yearly Meeting of Friends.

At its first official meeting following incorporation, the new Board of Overseers of Lincoln School wishes to acknowledge in formal minutes the cooperative spirit and assistance provided by the New England Yearly Meeting and its designated representatives in the establishment of this new corporation; and further, to express our desire and intention that the School's friendly and meaningful relationship with the Society of Friends be maintained and carried forward by their participation on the Board and its Committees and by the continued attendance at Lincoln of their children, with appropriate support and financial assistance. Specifically, we would intend that the matter of scholarship aid, as provided for in the indenture of Lease, be reviewed from time to time to assure its adequacy and appropriateness in the years to come."

We expressed our pleasure that the School's overseers had so clearly stated their intention to maintain a relationship with Friends, and we encouraged

Friends to accept invitations to serve on the Lincoln School Board.

At later meetings we responded to a request from the Lincoln School Foundation that funds which had been in the care of the Board of Managers of Investments and Permanent Funds be transferred. Those funds unambiguously Lincoln's were transferred at year's end. We appointed a special committee to review all funds held for educational use, and they identified twenty-five accounts which both schools agreed should properly be Lincoln's, and this transfer was effected by the Board of Managers at the end of March.

We approved continuing for another four years the present plan of distribution of income from the John Gardner Greene bequest.

We approved the New England Friends Home Committee's request for permission to lend \$20,000 from their account with the Fiduciary Daily Income Trust to the Friends Community Development Corporation for five years at the annual interest rate of 5%.

We approved the appointment of Michael Carter as a part-time Young Friends Coordinator; we approved the Executive Council's recommendations for his remuneration.

We read and forwarded to the Yearly Meeting memorial minutes for Paul Howard Douglas, Helen Griffith, Ruth Arnold Kellam, and Gordon T. Roberts. We received word of the deaths of three other Friends, Stuart Chapin, Ethel M. Jones, and Harold W. Meyers.

In routine business we read and approved Minutes 67-83 of the 1976 Yearly Meeting sessions, and in the course of the year approved the nominations of six Friends to fill vacancies on Yearly Meeting Committees.

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25. Thomas Bassett has read the epistle of Southern Appalachian Yearly Meeting and Association, gathered at Bonclarken Assembly, North Carolina, May 12-15, 1977. They found their own members able to dramatize the pains and possibilities among the world's poor, and groups shared their experiences with the testimonies of simplicity, peace and community.

26. Thomas Hancock has read a memorial to Helen Griffith. Something of her mantle will always be with us.

MEMORIAL TO HELEN GRIFFITH

Helen Griffith was born in Minneapolis in 1882 and died at Foulkeways, Gwynedd, Pennsylvania, on October 15, 1976. She received Quaker training at home although her family had become Congregationalists. In delicate health as a girl, after she joined the sophomore class at Bryn Mawr she said, "I lived lustily ever after." Her Friendly testimonies pervaded every aspect of her teaching English literature at Mt. Holyoke College, 1912-47. Her students recall seeking together with Helen in class. She treated each individual as her equal in all but experience, with a lovely sense of humor and with kindness. One student recognized the strength she gained from contemplation but remarked that "she also felt that you don't keep silent when you have something to say." "An inner calm sustained her as the infirmities of old age multiplied."

Friends at Mt. Toby remember her messages to children during worship. She spoke to them as she spoke to her classes, as fellow seekers. She sent each child in the Meeting a birthday card every year. As the children grew up she still understood them. When a Young Friends' report on the state of society accused the Monthly Meeting of "sitting on its ass, staring at the rug," some Friends were uncomfortable with the language, but Helen commented, "Arse is a perfectly good English word."

Clerk of Northampton Meeting in 1942 and of Middle Connecticut Valley Meeting in 1955-57, she also took active part in Quarterly and Yearly Meetings. About 1960 she saw Friends were ready to agree upon a new book of faith and practice and persuaded the Yearly Meeting to start preparing one. Helen opposed building a meeting house, thinking that attention to property might interfere with work for peace and justice, but when the Monthly Meeting decided to

build, she did not stand in the way. She liked the planting of a bur oak in front of the Mt. Toby meeting house in her honor, as she was rough as a burr, she said.

She witnessed for racial equality. After she retired, she taught at Tougaloo College in Mississippi, ten semesters, for board and room, to release a black teacher with her salary to earn a Ph.D. "I never enjoyed anything more or learned more in such a short time," Helen said. Research she started at Tougaloo on a Mt. Holyoke graduate who dedicated her life to the education of blacks in Mississippi bore fruit in her publication of *Dauntless in Mississippi: the life of Sarah A. Dickey* (1965).

During the Vietnam War, she regularly joined each Sunday's vigil on the Amherst Common. As she sat on her lawn chair in the snow, her smile encouraged every one.

Helen was clerk of the Library Committee when the books were kept in Greenfield, and sold her stamp collection to establish a fund for books on race relations. She wrote a poem and sent it to her friends each Christmas. The one sent in 1966 is characteristic:

Standing close to the great unknown I feel
Determined in what time is left to me
Not to resent my treacherous memory,
My failing sight that will not let me deal
With traffic, and my dull ears that seal
Me from the talk of friends in company.
Rather I would rejoice that I can be
Alive to follow what the days reveal—
So rapid are the changes and so deep:
Immensity of space; on many fronts great gain;
New ways of thinking; men may even learn
That power to kill will never make or keep
A lasting peace.

27. The clerk has read a list of members whose death during 1976 has been reported this year: Helen D. Ashley, Mabel G. Bailey, Mercy H. Bailey, Jeanette Ballard, James Blacker, Lottie Brindle, Leander S. Cornell, Robert Day, Lawrence B. Eaton, Mary Elder, Helen Griffith, Lincoln Harrison, Marie C. Henry, Edith Ryan Leete, Laura Pearson, Corwin Perisho, Henry D. Pierce, Lila Smith, Frances S. Swiatkowski, Mildred Walker, Earle D. Wilson, Dorothy H. Winslow, Lottie York, Elizabeth Birdsall Young.

28. We approve the nominations reviewed and forwarded with the approval of the Representatives, listed on pages 59-65. The Nominating Committee has reviewed committee structure and has not found a way to reduce the number of committees and inactive committee members. In consultation with the Executive Council it will continue to consider the problem. We appreciate its long, hard and faithful service and hope that all those who have accepted appointments will serve as faithfully.

29. We ask the Peace and Social Concerns Committee to appoint, for the first time and hereafter, our representative to the Massachusetts Council of Churches Task Force on Strategy and Action.

30. Helen Bliss has presented the report of the Executive Council. On its recommendation we approve the reappointment of Louis Marstaller as Field Secretary and Clarabel Marstaller as Office Secretary. The Executive Council should this fall reassess our needs for paid staff.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

The Executive Council met this past year on each Friday evening before the four Committee Days, once just after last Yearly Meeting sessions and at a special meeting in July at Amesbury. Committee Days this past year were held in four different places: Cambridge, Hanover, Hartford, and Wellesley, to make it a little more convenient for all and any members to attend. Our deliberations were concerned with the many and various committees and their efforts to carry on the interests and work of the Yearly Meeting. In addition a special subcommittee met on a concern of some members of the Nominating Committee for a need to restructure the Yearly Meeting committees generally. Some recommendations of shortening the membership of some committees and combining others were agreed on and sent back to the Nominating Committee. The personnel subcommittee also had other meetings in order to be of help to the staff in clarifying the Yearly Meeting's expectations. At the April meeting in Wellesley the Executive Council recommended that our staff, Louis and Clarabel Marstaller and Andrew Grannell, be rehired with appreciation for all that they do for us, and with a 5% increase in salary, plus a travel allowance increase to 15¢ per mile.

Later in May Andrew Grannell resigned as he had accepted an appointment at Bangor Theological Seminary as Associate Professor of Christian Education. The personnel subcommittee met and accepted his resignation with regret, but wished him well for the fine opportunity for him and his family. After further deliberations the committee recommended that Michael Carter of South Dartmouth be appointed as a part time successor for a period of 13½ months beginning July 15, 1977, to carry on the work with Young Friends and China Camp. He is clerk of China Camp committee. This is a part time appointment because the Executive Council feels it should take more time to 1) reassess what the Yearly Meeting expects of a paid staff, and 2) to make a more careful search for a full time third staff member and prepare a well defined job description. This was agreed to by the Executive Council in its July meeting at Amesbury and presented to and accepted by the Permanent Board at a meeting following on the same day.

31. Louis Marstaller reports a small increase to 3658 members on December 31, 1976, with an increase of over 100 in estimated attendance at worship. The statistical report is on pages 48-49.

32. Our Field Secretary completes his twentieth year this fall, and again urges Friends to share their faith and practice, and lead people to God. Our approximate 10% increase in membership during his tenure has not kept up with our commitments. We appreciate his dedicated work and urge local meetings to take up his challenge.

FIELD SECRETARY

This past year on behalf of the Yearly Meeting I attended most quarterly meetings and worked with some of the Yearly Meeting committees. I visited some local Meetings and the New England Friends Home. I worked with some Meeting clerks, pastors and secretaries having special problems or concerns and worked on the Amesbury property.

Last spring I twisted and hurt my right knee which limited my driving and since then I have had a severe attack of arthritis. So my recent travels have been to nearby places like China Camp. I am slowly improving and hope to be able to do most things again soon.

The concern for outreach expressed last year at Yearly Meeting has not been followed up as fast as I had hoped. When I look at the statistics, reading the same numbers or fewer, and see meeting houses with many new homes near them, I think we are not sharing our message. I would like to see a Friends Meeting a real option for each person in New England. This is going to take some doing, letting the public know we exist and that we are not a closed group. If we invite others to visit, it will also help us to clarify what we are about and whether we are some of God's children and do have respect for His teachings.

Thank you all for your help to me and I hope to visit many Meetings next year where all seats are filled.

Louis Marstaller

33. Clarabel Hadley Marstaller hopes committees will meet less often, and that we give the young a larger role. We treasure the Marstallers' hospitality and Clarabel's good humored ability to operate equipment of museum vintage.

YEARLY MEETING OFFICE

The Yearly Meeting Office provides secretarial services during the Yearly Meeting sessions, oversees the printing and distribution of the Yearly Meeting minutes, organizes Committee Days (dates and places are chosen by Executive Council), does follow-up work for committees—distributing committee minutes, etc., edits, publishes and distributes the *New England Friend* four times a year, oversees bulk mailing for certain committees (3 this year), maintains the mailing list to households of the Yearly Meeting (now approximately 2200 per mailing; up to 2500 when Young Friends and a miscellaneous list—Friends colleges, yearly meeting officers, etc.—are included), and handles sales of *Faith and Practice* and any other available Yearly Meeting publication.

Young people and some adults of Durham Meeting have helped with bulk mailings. Ann Armstrong of Midcoast Meeting has come for the day frequently and is adept at whatever needs to be done. I am grateful for their service and for the cooperation of all of you in the Yearly Meeting with whom I have contact.

Clarabel Marstaller, Office Secretary

34. Andrew Grannell says good-bye as Ministry and Education Secretary, thankful for the host of New England Friends who are doing the rough work of building on rock foundations. He is excited about his opportunity to teach at Bangor Theological Seminary. We value the good seed he has sown among our young and in the Worcester meeting.

MINISTRY AND EDUCATION SECRETARY

The highlights of this fourth and final year of work with Friends have been a re-evaluation of China Camp's program and needs, a strong fall and Mid-Winter conference sequence with Young Friends, and contacts with local Friends Meetings. It is with a feeling of rejoicing that I have witnessed the resurgent support of older Friends for the Young Friends throughout this year, a steadily maturing and strengthening program at Friends China Camp, and a sense of bondedness across the diversities of our Yearly Meeting. It is with a feeling of confidence and hope that I turn over my critical duties to Mike Carter in coordinating China Camp and Young Friends affairs.

Dorothy and I will be leaving our home in Worcester and our ministry among Friends (in our present capacities at Lincoln School and Yearly Meeting), but fortunately we are to take up residence in Bangor, Maine, and to continue our close ties with Friends both in New England and beyond. I am deeply grateful for all that Friends have done for us as a family and look forward to continuing on in the great work of Friends.

Andrew Grannell

35. We further endorse a minute of ecclesiastical endorsement from Salem Quarterly Meeting uniting with Theodora Elkington Waring's call to hospital counseling.

36. We hope the question of recognizing the Quaker ministry will be discussed throughout the Yearly Meeting.

Wednesday evening

Fay Honey Knopp points out that imprisonment is involuntary servitude; that we should work for the abolition of prisons.

Thursday, August 18

37. Thomas Hancock has read the epistle of Ireland Yearly Meeting gathered at Friends School, Lisburn, Northern Ireland, where violence continues to preoccupy them, with the challenge of showing compassion in the midst of danger.

38. A memorial to Corwin Perisho evokes the recollection that he never condescended, but acted face to face with others.

MEMORIAL TO CORWIN PERISHO

Born February 23, 1900, in Casey, Iowa;
died May 25, 1976, in Lake Wales, Florida

Corwin Perisho was orphaned in California at nine and finished growing up with relatives in New Providence, Iowa. Early in his course at William Penn College, from which he graduated in 1922, he served with the American Friends Service Committee reconstruction unit in France. He later worked with the Service Committee in Hungary and with his family for them in Mexico. He was a teacher and craftsman most of his life. After his daughters were grown, educated and married, he and his wife Helen taught two years at Lugulu Girls School in Kenya.

One of those who revived the South Yarmouth Preparative Meeting in 1954, he gave it his time and talents without stint. His warm personality and clear thinking will long be lovingly remembered as a force making for unity in the Meeting, and later in the Lake Wales, Florida, Meeting.

He had broad interests and expressed his creativity in wrought iron and wood sculpture, cabinet making, pottery, weaving, sketching, painting and architectural design and building. He had his own ingenious way of solving practical problems. His love of the arts and fascination with nature enriched the lives of everyone near him. It was a privilege to have known him.

39. We are grateful for the visit of Gladys J. and Harold N. Tollefson, with a traveling minute from Whitewater Monthly Meeting, Richmond, Indiana. Friends have warm remembrances of their service which started over fifty years ago among New England meetings. Harold Tollefson led us to establish Junior Yearly Meeting in 1930.

40. We appoint Ernest Weed and Elizabeth Cazden to bring greetings to Junior Yearly Meeting and a message of our appreciation of the concern for juniors which Gordon and Mildred Roberts and Ruth Arnold Kellam have shown.

41. Young Friends from Philadelphia Yearly Meeting have introduced themselves: Jennifer Baily (Princeton), Margaret Brink (Swarthmore), Ann Ensor (Chester), Suellen Heath and Lynne Lueders (Moorestown), Mike and Cindy Palmer (Swarthmore), and Thomas Swain. Barbara Hillegass brings greetings from Olympia Monthly Meeting, Washington.

42. Gordon Browne sends his regrets that he has to miss Yearly Meeting for the first time in 18 or 19 years.

43. Alice Wiser has told us that Junior Yearly Meeting has learned from its mistakes and has had some good times, and intends to have more fun and learn more during the rest of the week.

44. Virginia Towle, a director of the Global Awareness project, has brought us up to date on the traveling plans for eight junior and senior high school Friends to Northern Ireland,

England and Berlin this winter, for young adults to visit Germany and the USSR, and further hopes to visit New England Indians.

45. Alison Sander has presented a report of Young Friends' activities during the past year. They appreciate the inspiration and help of Andrew Grannell and older Friends at their conferences and Yearly Meeting sessions.

YOUNG FRIENDS

Young Friends held three fall conferences: one at Cambridge on creativity and the arts, explored woodworking, body movement and dancing, and under the guidance of Daisy Newman, writing; another in the Northwest Quarter, and a third on the Cape on solar energy alternatives. Over twenty older Friends helped out, or offered services. Forty-five Young Friends found the annual midwinter conference a meaningful experience. Then came the winter deep freeze and enthusiasm ebbed. In March we again joined North Carolina and Midwestern Friends in a Washington conference on energy. Besides being informed we made friends and drew three North Carolina Young Friends to this Yearly Meeting.

An important new theme this year was intervisitation, which we hope to continue. I was at the FCNL in Washington and Andy Grannell was getting ready to move, so there were only two small gatherings this spring. They say the one on early Quakerism, held at the Meeting School, was very interesting. It was a great pleasure to find over sixty Young Friends at Yearly Meeting this week, 60% of them here for the first time.

The sense of community which Andy gave us made these activities possible. Andy was able both to demonstrate the adult concept of a life guided by the Spirit, which I didn't quite understand, and to show an incredible zest for life. The first time we rode with Andy to a Washington conference, when he found that none of us had ever seen Sprague's, he turned back and we explored the largest warehouse in the East for 25 minutes. We all wish him the best of luck and hope that Mike Carter doesn't have to work with such an open-ended kind of job.

Alison Sander, Clerk

46. Andrew Grannell has spoken to the summer experience of China Camp's two three-week sessions. The two family camps, lacking the benefit of Archie Meshenuk's promotional zeal, were cancelled, but Friends from the Maritime Provinces of Canada will meet New England Friends there next week. The cabins are all shedding water.

FRIENDS CHINA CAMP

In 1976 the China Camp Committee primarily directed its energies and efforts toward a careful re-examination and ultimately a reaffirmation of the original Camp Philosophy of Friends Camp. We embrace the statement of purpose from the General Policies of November 22, 1969 which reads:

"Friends Camp endeavors to offer a unique summer experience. The number of campers, the woods and lake, the opportunity to work together, and the Quaker-Christian emphasis give the camp its distinctive family atmosphere. Another value of Friends Camp is that the program is flexible and informal. Such a structure creates possibilities for self expression and for creative participation in activities and discussions."

As an amendment to this, we commit ourselves to both continuing and improving upon the quality of the camp so that all might experience the highest levels of unity, love and truth.

There is neither a stereotype camper nor staff person at Camp; hence, each year brings its own unique qualities and experiences. This past year, as well as the present camp session, prove to us that a staff and committee committed to the nurturing of young people can be, and is, a reality.

The camp facility itself has had some face lifting. The meeting house was refurbished both in and out, several cabins were re-roofed, the bell was set in the service building rafters, and a new float was added to the waterfront. The buildings and grounds remain in good condition with diligent maintenance.

A very successful workcamp was held on the last weekend in May, and this year's prospects for a successful summer are higher than ever.

Although we continue to question our outreach capabilities toward non-Friends, we are still able to provide the type of experience that is meaningful to all.

We have many unanswered questions as well as many exciting possibilities for the future. We look forward to another fruitful year.

FRIENDS CHINA CAMP FINANCIAL STATEMENT

for Year Ending May 31, 1977

Cash on Hand June 1, 1976		\$ 2,536.38
Income		
Camp Fees and Registrations	\$ 9,443.00	
Contributions 1975 - '76 *	1,675.00	
1976 - '77	885.00	
Yearly Meeting Allotment	1,000.00	
Other Income	353.32	
Reimbursement for work on Meeting House	523.97	
Total Income		<u>13,880.29</u>
Total Funds Available for Use		16,416.67
Expenses		
Salaries	5,650.00	
Food	3,013.48	
Insurance	775.00	
Utilities	646.72	
Maintenance, Supplies and Improvements	1,291.08	
Travel Expense	626.64	
Program Supplies	119.27	
Promotion & Postage	170.99	
Other Expense	191.63	
Meeting House Repairs (see Income Item)	523.97	
Total Expense		<u>13,008.78</u>
Balance, May 31, 1977		<u>\$ 3,407.89</u>

* Refer to previous year's report.

Cash on Hand, May 31, 1977:

Savings Account - Waterville Savings Bank	\$ 1,926.32
Checking Account - Bank of Maine	1,481.57
	<u>\$ 3,407.89</u>

Benjamin H. Cates, Treasurer

June 23, 1977

I have examined the accounts of Friends China Camp for the Year ending May 31, 1977 and find them correct.

Ralph Austin, Auditor

47. We thank Willard and Edith Ware for selling an attractive four acres to China Camp.

48. Ruth Woodbridge has read the epistle from the Central Alaska Friends Conference held at Mahalla Dickerson's home-
stead, Knik Road, Wasilla, Alaska, sixth of Ninth Month, 1976,
twenty years since representatives of unprogrammed meetings in
Alaska first gathered at Caribou Creek in the Matanuska Valley.
Few of us had been aware of the growth they rejoice in.

49. A memorial to Ruth Arnold Kellam.

MEMORIAL TO RUTH ARNOLD KELLAM

Friends have suffered a deep loss in the death of Ruth Arnold Kellam on January 31, 1977, at the age of fifty-three. Her life was one of loving service to her monthly meetings, to her husband and his children, to the Yearly Meeting, and to the wider community.

Born into a family who were members of the Church of the Brethren, she eventually found her religious home in the Society of Friends, joining Cambridge Monthly Meeting. Her professional training was in occupational therapy. She practiced at the Institute of Mental Health of the Massachusetts General Hospital, and later at a hospital in New Zealand. On her return she worked briefly at the Hingham New England Friends Home and then served an Attleboro community workshop for retarded children.

Her marriage to John Kellam during the last seven years of her life made possible happy years of creative voluntary service. Together they made their home a center for caring relationships with people. She helped individuals quietly, unostentatiously and practically: baby sitting for a hard pressed mother who needed relief, teaching a child how to make bread, helping with the preparations for a square dance, taking a college student into her home when the dormitory was closed, helping with the transportation of a Friend to the sewing group or a child to Sunday School, sharing flowers and cuttings from her garden.

Ruth served two terms as clerk of Providence Monthly Meeting and was active on its committees. In her wide concerns for young people and for her own spiritual growth she poured energy into the religious education program—for children, college students and young married couples. She supported the strengths of persons by listening with undivided attention, yet judged their capacities soundly. With her husband she founded The Seekers, for newcomers wanting to learn about Quakerism.

She served on the Yearly Meeting Committee on Religious Education, the Nominating Committee, and the New England Friends Home Committee.

She so expressed the radiance of her love that it showed us how much we must do to fill the void we feel in her death.

After the reading of this memorial Friends have commented on how vividly they recall Ruth Kellam, looking up compassionately to appreciate something, whether she approved or reserved judgment; how they enjoyed being near her.

50. Having heard George Bliss's and Rosalind Cobb's report for the Ad Hoc Committee on Friends Educational Needs, we approve its establishment as a standing committee.

AD HOC COMMITTEE ON FRIENDS EDUCATIONAL NEEDS

The Ad Hoc Committee on Friends Educational Needs met five times during the past year, and otherwise kept in touch by letter, in order to carry out the charge of the May 7-9, 1976, Rolling Ridge Conference and the Yearly Meeting. To that end **Fenpack** (Friends Educational Needs Packet), a quarterly publication, has been established and a first issue sent to all New England Monthly Meetings. Fenpack will hopefully be the center knot in a web of support for Friends and friends who are concerned with education. The support will manifest itself in other ways than just the publication of articles, by establishing methods for exchange and information for educators and those interested in education, at all levels.

At Committee Day meetings in Hanover, 11/20/'76, it was decided that a folder - looseleaf publication would make a useful forum for educators and that it should be called **Fenpack**. Our meetings during the year were primarily devoted to the planning of Fenpack, its editing and production. In this packet an effort has been made to reach beyond Quakerly pastures into broader fields of discussion of educational goals and methods. At the meetings there was also discussion of the broader concerns voiced at the Rolling Ridge Conference. In response, a working committee has been formed with members ready to carry on the task of finding more effective ways for Friends to involve themselves in

the problems facing educators today, and attempts have been made to review Query #9.

We look forward to being more effective in the coming year.

51. William Macleish, Chairman of the Board of the Meeting School, West Rindge, N.H., reminds us that although it is twenty years old, it will always be an experiment in Friends' education.

52. We lay down the Coordinating Committee of the Moses Brown and Lincoln Schools Boards of Overseers because with the independent incorporation of Lincoln School, its work is done.

MOSES BROWN SCHOOL AND LINCOLN SCHOOL COORDINATING COMMITTEE

This has been a year of transition for Lincoln School. As allowed by the recommendation of the Ad Hoc Committee and approved by Yearly Meeting June 1976, the Board of Overseers of Lincoln School has formed an independent corporation to operate the school. In making up the Board for this new corporation, the current Overseers of Lincoln School, who had been approved by Yearly Meeting, became the charter members of the Board of Trustees of the new Lincoln School corporation. This newly formed corporation has been incorporated in the state of Rhode Island and has drawn up its own by-laws.

It is significant that this new corporation has expressed its sincere desire to continue strong relations with Friends. The corporation is very anxious to continue its membership in Friends Council on Education and to be eligible for this membership must maintain 50% Friends on its governing body.

We regret to report that Peter Rhoades Mott, Headmaster at Moses Brown School, has resigned, effective late June. In accordance with approved minutes of 1976 Yearly Meeting, the Board of Overseers of Moses Brown has appointed Richard L. Gaines as Acting Headmaster for the 1977-78 academic year. Dick Gaines has been an educator for twenty-eight years, the past six as Assistant Headmaster of Moses Brown. During the 1975-76 fall term, Dick had the opportunity to serve Moses Brown as Acting Headmaster while Peter Mott was in Africa, and, by all accounts—faculty, students and parents—performed in an outstanding manner.

The full Board met August 14 to discuss the elements and purpose related to the Search and Screen Committee for a new headmaster. The Search Committee will be appointed in the very near future.

Since Lincoln School became independent early in the school year, the Coordinating Committee for Moses Brown and Lincoln School has not functioned this year. However, the Friends on the Board of Moses Brown and Friends on the Board of Lincoln School have met together twice. This group recommends the Co-ordinating Committee be laid down as was recommended in the June 1975 Report of the Ad Hoc Committee and approved by Yearly Meeting.

We recognize the Co-ordinating Committee provided several functions between the schools and the Yearly Meeting, it provided the nucleus for the special nominating committee that proposed names to Yearly Meeting Nominating Committee for membership on the Board, and the Clerk of the Co-ordinating Committee reported to the Yearly Meeting.

In accordance with the approved Ad Hoc Committee Recommendation, the Yearly Meeting in laying down the Co-ordinating Committee, should now take formal action to that effect and so notify the Moses Brown Board that now the Friends on that Board should name one of their number as "Friends Co-ordinator."

Samir Haddad, Clerk

Katherine B. Perry, Assistant Clerk

MOSES BROWN SCHOOL

For the academic year 1976-77, Moses Brown has seen many changes. Co-education has been a great success, and we look forward to increased female enrollment. Our school has had full enrollment but we anticipate that in

1977-78 we will be below full enrollment in lower and middle school. The Finance and Executive Committee has readjusted our budget to reflect this anticipated decrease and we contemplate no financial crisis. We are also taking steps to find out why enrollment has decreased. We have refurbished the outside of Hawes Gym and gutted the interior. Hopefully by next summer we will be able to have this building converted to a library and learning center. We have been able in the last five years to raise over a million dollars to pay for the exchange, the new lower school and the new gym. We feel that we have approximately fifty to sixty thousand dollars more to raise to complete the Hawes Gym. We respectfully request that Yearly Meeting grant us permission to borrow to the extent of sixty thousand dollars to complete this most necessary work. The school is in desperate need of a good area to study and this library will answer our needs.

We are sorry to report the resignation of Peter Mott, our headmaster, but feel confident that Richard Gaines, our assistant headmaster, will do an outstanding job during the coming year. This will give our Search Committee a goodly amount of time to find the proper person to lead Moses Brown School. We have also lost Jim Achterberg, head of lower school, and Ed Potter, head of admissions. Both of these men have been appointed headmasters of other schools.

I look forward to a very full year and one I feel will end with a much stronger Moses Brown.

Robert A. Marsello, Chairman of Overseers

MOSES BROWN SCHOOL STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSE

July 1, 1976 — June 30, 1977

Operating Revenue

Resident Room & Board	\$ 95,670
Student Tuition	1,627,294
Registration Fees (Retained)	3,527
Application Fees	3,015
Art, Sci., Test., Grad. Fees	4,814
Chg. for Regular Lunches	50,908
Chg. for Mid-Morn. Lunches	4,568
Chg. for Students Supplies	
Books & Stationery	50,234
Athletic Goods	11,013
Miscellaneous	647
Total	\$1,851,690
Less: Cost of Student Supplies	51,040
NET OPERATING REVENUE	1,800,650

Operating Expense

#401 Administration	253,564
#402 Instruction	882,998
#403 Development	53,195
#404 Kitchen & Dining Room	140,228
#405 Housekeeping	48,483
#406 Maintenance of Plant	66,237
#407 Operation of Plant	168,053
#408 Grounds	35,662
#410 Student Aid	194,507
Total Operating Expense	\$1,842,927
OPERATING INCOME (DEFICIT)	(42,277)

Non-Operating Income

Collected Receivables	22,381
Annual Giving	52,994
Endowment Income	26,367
Plant Rental	5,961
Interest Income	16,923
Miscellaneous Income	14,386
Total	\$ 139,012

Non-Operating Expense

Pensions - 46 Plan	33,691
(Less: Paid by Friends)	(18,969)
Interest	44,362
Miscellaneous	2,675
Total	\$ 61,759
LESS NON-OPER. INCOME	139,012
NET INCOME (DEFICIT)	34,976

COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEET

6-30-1977

ASSETS**Current Assets**

Cash: Checking Account	\$ 2,717
Savings Accounts	179,615
Petty Cash Fund	500
Total Cash	\$ 182,832
Capital Drive	84,700
Accounts Receivable	44,779
(Less: Allowance for Doubtful)	(1,919)
Pledges Receivable: Annual Giving (net)	57,358
Inventories: Books & Supplies	16,496
Prov. & Kitchen Supplies	1,645
Athletic Supplies for Sale	6,993
Prepaid Expenses: Insurance	4,817
Interest	3,336
Total Current Assets	\$ 218,205

Fixed Assets

Buildings & Grounds (Net)	2,175,342
Furniture & Fixtures (Net)	275,245
Total Fixed Assets	\$2,450,587
Total Assets	\$2,851,624

Liabilities & Investment Account**Current Liabilities****LIABILITIES & INVESTMENT ACCOUNT****Current Liabilities**

Note Payable: Bank	\$ 489,800
Notes Payable: Capital Drive	84,700
Accounts Payable	26,946
Exchange Checks	247
Employee Withholdings	6,407
Other Current Liabilities	947
Total Current Liabilities	\$ 609,047

Reserves

Prepaid Registration Fees	118,300
Special Funds	68,107
Total Reserves	\$ 186,407

INVESTMENT ACCOUNT

Balance Beginning of Year	\$2,021,194
Current Year Income (Deficit) to Date	34,976
Total Investment Account	\$2,056,170
TOTAL LIABILITIES & INVESTMENT ACCOUNT	\$2,851,624

53. As a means of communication between the Yearly Meeting and the Board of Overseers of Moses Brown School, we establish the office of Friends Coordinator, to be chosen annually by the Friends on the Board.

54. Mary Schaffner, Headmistress of the independent Lincoln School, has emphasized that the legal separation from the Yearly Meeting is not a spiritual or emotional separation. Several Lower School teachers, after attending Yearly Meeting last year, tried harder than before to establish periods of silence in classes and assembly. Lincoln overseers were grateful for the fairness with which the funds were divided with the Moses Brown School.

55. Robert Marsello, Chairman of the Board of the Moses Brown School, Richard Gaines, Acting Headmaster, and other friends of the School have answered questions about the search for a new Head of the School and for increased enrollment of girls. Many in Providence, but not many Friends, have offered suggestions. We continue our concern for a Head and other Quaker leadership at the Moses Brown School. We trust it will continue to shut its doors to all military recruitment.

56. Paul Gardescu has spoken to the report of the New England Friends Home, which needs a treasurer and two male committee members.

NEW ENGLAND FRIENDS HOME

This year has been one of changes at the Home. Harry Barron has taken on the Directorship with the retirement of Irven Roberts. While Irven and Muriel Roberts are missed by the residents, it was an easier change because Harry and Edith Barron were known and loved by all.

During the year the plan to dispose of the Home so as to have the assets available for facilities at the Friends Community was reconsidered. It became evident that there was no group in the greater Hingham area who felt able now to assume the continued operation of the Home. It also became clearer that while only a limited number of the residents in the Home are Friends (at present we have five Friends), there are not other facilities now, or to be provided at the Friends Community, that would give the same type of rest home care available at Hingham.

The Home has also been working with a community group interested in providing financial assistance so as to minimize increased rates. This same group, representing members of several Hingham congregations, may be the core of an interdenominational community group interested in operating the Home should Friends find in the future that they wish to sell the Home.

The intern program which uses college age staff for a year's service has been quite rewarding both for the residents and for the interns.

This coming year the Home hopes to update its liaison with monthly meetings so that Friends throughout New England will make full use of the unique facilities and very special caring provided at the New England Friends Home at Hingham.

NEW ENGLAND FRIENDS HOME TREASURER'S REPORT

Statement of Income and Expense for 1976

Current Income	
Boarders	\$ 58,107.
Huntington Dixon Trust and other Funds	5,806.
Transfer of excess from Deposit Fund	1,718.
Bank Interest	6,576.
Undesignated Contributions under \$1000.	761.
Designated Contributions	72.
Donations for Meals, Lodgings, Furniture	308.
Total	73,348.

Current Expenditures

Salaries	30,453.
F.I.C.A. Taxes	2,129.
Consultants	3,268.
Employees Health Insurance	1,385.
Telephone	738.
Utilities	8,080.
Laundry	551.
Operating Supplies	1,017.
Provisions	9,859.
House Furnishings	924.
Repairs and Maintenance	3,248.
Car, Car Insurance and Travel	860.
Insurance, Fire and Liability	2,252.
Director's Discretionary Fund	366.
Subscriptions	791.
Advertising	84.
Office Supplies	667.
Depreciation - Furniture and Equipment	569.
Depreciation - Buildings	4,282.
Total	71,950.
Increase in General Fund	1,398.
	<u>\$ 73,348.</u>

Balance Sheet, December 31, 1976**ASSETS****Cash**

Shawmut First County Bank	\$ 150.	
Hingham Savings Bank	1,434.	
Providence Institute for Savings	10,483.	
Petty Cash	250.	
Securities - Provident Institute for Savings	59,468.	
Securities - F.D.I.T.	21,276.	\$ 93,061.

Fixed Assets

Automobile	2,914.	
Furniture and Equipment	4,370.	
Buildings	176,474.	
Land	10,000.	193,758.
Total		<u>\$286,819.</u>

LIABILITIES, RESERVES and FUNDS**Accounts Payable**

Federal Taxes withheld	\$ 368.	
F.I.C.A. Tax withheld	168.	\$ 536.

Reserves

For House Furnishings	4,598.	
For Repairs	1,730.	
For Automobile	2,623.	
For Depreciation - Furniture and Equipment	1,909.	
- Buildings	17,744.	
Room and Board Deposits	2,027.	30,631.

Funds

Equipment Fund	5,159.	
Land and Buildings Fund	186,010.	
Restricted Funds	34,817.	
General Fund	29,666.	255,652.
Total		<u>\$286,819.</u>

57. The Friends Community Development Corporation, Wayne Jones tells us, has received a \$132,000 solar heating grant, and a \$1,500,000 loan to build the sixty-nine units of Phase I at North

Easton, Massachusetts. The charter of the housing cooperative which will run the development for residents of all ages will be signed next Thursday, August 25. Ground breaking is scheduled after frost leaves next spring, hopefully the first occupants will move in by early 1979. Thirty-two applications have been received. Legal restrictions currently limiting applicants to residents of four states (N.H., Vermont, Massachusetts and Maryland) are being removed. At the end of August Lloyd Lee Wilson, consultant since the project started, is leaving New England for new challenges in the South, and will be replaced by John Winslow.

Friday, August 19

58. MEMORIAL TO PAUL HOWARD DOUGLAS

Paul Howard Douglas was born in Salem, Massachusetts, of Maine-born parents of Quaker background. He grew up under almost frontier conditions in a log cabin near Moosehead Lake in the Maine woods. Home-taught until high school, he graduated from Bowdoin, and after advanced training became a college professor of Economics.

He was convinced by reading the Whittier edition of John Woolman's journal and joined the Society of Friends. When he came to Amherst College in 1924 he invited Friends in nearby colleges to worship at his house on Cottage Street. Out of this and subsequent groups grew the Mt. Toby meeting.

He returned to the University of Chicago in 1927 and belonged to the 57th Street, Chicago, meeting. His concern as a U. S. Senator for social, economic and civil rights, he said, stemmed from the influence of John Woolman. Many Friends owe much to Senator Douglas in their lobbying for Quaker concerns.

59. We have heard from several Friends who attended the Wichita bilingual conference of Friends in the Americas. They sing the same song of Isaac Penington, "how sweet and pleasant it is to the truly spiritual eye to see several sorts of believers, several forms of Christians in the school of Christ, every one learning their own lesson, performing their own peculiar service, and knowing, owning, and loving one another in their several places and different performances to their Master." It was an experience in accepting differences with love.

60. We approve the following budget for fiscal 1977-78 (beginning June 1), reviewed and recommended by the Representatives:

NEW ENGLAND YEARLY MEETING BUDGET

June 1, 1977 — May 31, 1978

Yearly Meeting Expenses

Yearly Meeting sessions	\$ 600.00
Young Friends Yearly Meeting	350.00
Junior Yearly Meeting	800.00
Yearly Meeting Clerk	200.00
Yearly Meeting Treasurer	200.00
Printing of Minutes	1,800.00
Sub-total	3,950.00

Field Secretary Account

Salary (part time)	8,190.00
Retirement Fund	819.00
Travel and expenses	3,200.00
Sub-total	12,209.00

Office Secretary Account

Salary (part time)	4,650.00
Office rental	675.00
Equipment and supplies	3,300.00
Sub-total	8,625.00

Ministry and Education Secretary

Salary (full time to Sept. 1)	2,245.00
Housing allowance	630.00
Annuity (retirement)	157.00
BC/BS	106.00
Travel and expenses	800.00
Sub-total	3,938.00

Young Friends Coordinator

Salary (part time)	4,200.00
Retirement	420.00
Health Insurance	525.00
Travel and expenses	2,800.00
Sub-total	7,945.00

Yearly Meeting Committees

Aging	175.00
Archives and Historical Records	700.00
China Camp	1,000.00
Christian Education	350.00
Executive Council	500.00
Friends Educational Needs	50.00
Ministry and Counsel	800.00
Minute 74 Expenses	175.00
Nominating	50.00
Peace and Social Concerns	250.00
Prejudice and Poverty Expenses	250.00
Student Loan and Scholarship Expenses	75.00
Wider Ministries	100.00
Young Friends Activities	500.00
Sub-total	4,975.00

Friends Organizations

American Friends Service Committee	200.00
Friends Committee on National Legislation	500.00
Friends Council on Education	100.00
Friends General Conference	2,912.00
Friends United Meeting Activities	6,000.00
Friends United Meeting	5,278.00
Friends World Committee for Consultation	1,092.00
Sub-total	16,082.00

Miscellaneous

Travel NEYM Representatives	300.00
Travel FUM Triennial Pool	300.00
New Call To Peacemaking	500.00
Sub-total	1,100.00

Total Budget \$58,824.00

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

1. The Yearly Meeting depends for its support on voluntary contributions from the Monthly Meetings. If any Monthly Meeting fails to contribute its fair share, other Monthly Meetings must make up the deficit. The present budget calls for expenses approximately equivalent to \$16 per member of the Yearly Meeting.

2. Yearly Meeting committees may not exceed the expenses authorized for them in the budget and they should not contribute money to other organizations. The Treasurer is not authorized to pay any expenses in excess of the budget without prior approval of the clerk of the Finance Committee.

3. That no general appeals by any committees of the Yearly Meeting or by organizations of which we are a constituent part should be made directly to the members of the Yearly Meeting without prior approval of the Finance Committee except by those committees which have been previously authorized to do so, namely the Equalization Fund, Minute 60, Minute 74, China Camp, FGC Committee, FUM Committee, FWC Committee, Right Sharing of World Resources Committee, Student Loan and Scholarship Committee and Young Friends Committee.

4. That the Treasurer be authorized to accept money for transmittal to the Friends Committee on National Legislation in an amount up to ten (10) percent of the Yearly Meeting budget.

5. That the audit of the accounts of the China Camp Committee by Ralph Austin, the New England Friends Home Committee by Henry Baechler, and the Young Friends Committee by Robert Wehmeyer for their respective most recently completed fiscal years be accepted.

6. That Ralph Austin be appointed to audit the accounts of the Treasurer of the China Camp Committee, that Henry Baechler be appointed to audit the accounts of the Treasurer of the New England Friends Home, and that Robert Wehmeyer be appointed to audit the accounts of the Treasurer of the Young Friends Committee, in each case for the current fiscal year. It is suggested that in each case the auditor's report be included with the regular annual committee report.

7. That the audit of the accounts of the Yearly Meeting Treasurer (including now the accounts of the Archives and Historical Records Committee) by Archie Meshenuk for the fiscal year ending May 31, 1977, be accepted.

8. That Archie Meshenuk be appointed to audit the accounts of the Yearly Meeting Treasurer for the fiscal year ending May 31, 1978.

9. That Robert M. Brill be appointed as Treasurer for the ensuing year or until his successor is appointed and qualified, and that he be authorized to open and close bank accounts in the name of the Yearly Meeting as needed.

10. That Henry Baechler and the Clerk of the New England Yearly Meeting be named as alternate signers individually of all bank accounts of the New England Yearly Meeting for the ensuing year or until their successor are appointed and qualified.

61. We approve that Robert M. Brill be appointed as Treasurer for the ensuing year or until his successor is appointed and qualified, and that he be authorized to open and close bank accounts in the name of the Yearly Meeting as needed.

62. We approve that Henry Baechler and the Clerk of the New England Yearly Meeting be named as alternate signers individually of all bank accounts of the New England Yearly Meeting for the ensuing year or until their successors are appointed and qualified.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TREASURER

June 1, 1976 — May 31, 1977

RECEIPTS FOR BUDGET

Connecticut Valley Quarter		Salem Quarter	
Hartford	\$ 8,300.00	Acton	\$ 500.00
Middletown	800.00	Amesbury	00.00
Mt. Toby	1,000.00	Cambridge	11,357.00
New Haven	1,345.00	Lawrence	730.00
New London	300.00	Lynn	150.00
Pleasant Street	300.00	Wellesley	3,500.00
Storrs	800.00		<u>\$16,237.00</u>
Watertown	200.00		
	<u>\$13,045.00</u>		
Dover Quarter		Sandwich Quarter	
Concord	\$ 200.00	Allen's Neck	\$ 591.37
Dover	400.00	Dartmouth	400.00
Gonic	195.00	Marion	65.00
Weare	235.00	New Bedford Monthly	425.00
	<u>\$ 1,030.00</u>	New Bedford Particular	350.00
		Long Plain	60.00
Falmouth Quarter		Mattapoisett	340.00
Durham	\$ 1,000.00	Sandwich	650.00
Portland	1,100.00	West Falmouth	653.57
Parsonsfield	00.00	Yarmouth	561.00
Sandwich	105.00	Swansea	500.00
Windham	330.00	Westport	600.00
	<u>\$ 2,535.00</u>		<u>\$ 5,195.94</u>
Northwest Quarter		Vassalboro Quarter	
Bennington	\$ 498.00	China	\$ 470.00
Burlington	300.00	Midcoast	150.00
Hanover	1,425.00	North Fairfield	375.00
Middlebury	450.00	Oak Grove	00.00
Monadnock	600.00	Orono	325.00
Plainfield	360.00	Vassalboro	510.00
Putney	400.00	Winthrop	292.09
	<u>\$ 4,033.00</u>		<u>\$ 2,122.09</u>
Rhode Island-Smithfield Quarter			
North Dartmouth	\$ 450.00		
Providence	3,095.54		
Smithfield	1,135.95		
Westerly	800.00		
Worcester	1,200.00		
	<u>\$ 6,681.49</u>		
Total from Meetings			\$50,879.52
Total from Individuals			3,582.09
Total from Investments for YM			366.17
Total from Investments for FUM			1,369.01
Total Savings Bank Interest			<u>1,758.97</u>
Total Receipts for Budget			\$57,955.76

BUDGET ACCOUNTS

	Forward 6-1-1976	Income & Credits	Budget Allotment	Outgo	Balance 5-31-1977
Yearly Meeting Operating Accounts					
Yearly Meeting Session		\$20,825.39	\$ 500.00	\$21,935.31	(\$ 609.92)
Young Friends Yearly Meeting Session			250.00	376.10	(126.10)
Junior Yearly Meeting			800.00	404.76	395.24
Clerk's Expense			200.00	35.00	165.00
Treasurer's Expense			200.00	44.07	155.93
Field Secretary's Expense			2,750.00	3,191.23	(441.23)
Central Office Expense			2,920.00	2,913.44	6.56
Central Office Rental			675.00	675.00	
Ministry & Education Sec'y. Expense			3,600.00	3,043.74	556.26
Printing Yearly Meeting Minutes	1.00		1,800.00	1,527.00	274.00
Field Secretary's Salary - Part time			7,800.00	7,800.00	
Field Secretary's Retirement			780.00	730.00	50.00
Central Office Secretary's Salary			4,425.00	4,425.00	
Ministry and Education Sec'y. Salary			11,950.00	11,950.00	
Operating Accounts Subtotal	\$20,826.39		\$38,650.00	\$59,050.65	\$ 425.74
Committee Accounts					
Aging			35.00	16.32	18.68
Archives and Historical Records			600.00	538.03	61.97
China Camp			1,000.00	1,000.00	
Christian Education			350.00	349.23	.77
Executive Council			500.00	100.00	400.00
Friends Educational Needs			50.00		50.00
Ministry and Counsel	298.98		1,000.00	1,059.38	239.60
Prejudice and Poverty			250.00	226.55	23.45
Minute 74			175.00	163.88	11.12
Nominating			50.00	26.60	23.40
Peace and Social Concerns	290.43		250.00	540.43	
Student Loan and Scholarship			25.00	39.42	(14.42)
Wider Ministries			50.00	44.85	5.15
Young Friends	360.00		500.00	860.00	
Committee Accounts Subtotal	\$ 949.41		\$ 4,835.00	\$ 4,964.69	\$ 819.72

Support of Wider Quaker Concerns			
American Friends Service Committee	200.00		
Friends Committee on National Legislation	500.00		
Friends Council on Education	100.00		
Friends General Conference (70¢/member)	2,523.00		
Friends United Meeting - Activities	6,000.00		
Friends United Meeting (\$1.35/member)	4,865.00		
Friends World Comm./Consultation (\$.275/member)	991.00		
Travel Pool for FUM Triennial	300.00		
Travel for NEYM Representatives	300.00		80.79
Support Subtotal	\$15,779.00	\$	80.79
TOTAL FOR BUDGET ACCOUNTS	\$21,775.80	\$	1,326.25
Receipts from Meetings, Individuals, Investments and Interest	57,955.76		
Miscellaneous credits	433.48		
Less outgo on budget accounts	79,713.55		
WORKING BALANCE	\$ 451.49	\$	5,527.49

NON BUDGET ACCOUNTS

	Forward 6-1-1976	Income & Credits	Outgo	Balance 5-31-1977
Bequest Funds				
Boyce & Gifford (for western Indians)		\$ 60.93	\$ 60.93	
Anna M. Brown (for education of R.I. farmers' children)	\$ 3,212.07	294.55		\$ 3,506.62
Boyce, Camp, Knowles & Sturge (for education of freedmen)	1,181.01	1,862.64	1,600.00	1,443.65
J. G. Greene (for Sandwich Mtg. and Y. M. owned Friends education)		317.56	317.56	
Hansen & Hill (for Hingham Home)		346.13	346.13	
Hayden (for Providence Mtg., USFW, and Board of Missions)		659.71	659.71	
E. M. Jones (for Parsonsfield Mtg.)	209.83	58.92		268.75
Kirby (for evangelistic work in Sandwich Quarter)	1,144.84	88.24		1,233.08

Mosher (for printing & circulating Pub. on Quaker Principles) Pittsfield & Varney (for M. & C.)	615.16 935.00	583.86 66.35	125.93	1,073.09 1,001.35
Bequest Funds Subtotal	<u>\$ 7,297.91</u>	<u>\$ 4,338.89</u>	<u>\$ 3,110.26</u>	<u>\$ 8,526.54</u>
Contributory Funds				
China Camp	1,675.00	445.00	2,020.00	100.00
Equalization	4,157.43	3,115.55	2,997.88	4,275.10
Archives & Historical Records	324.08	500.00	377.50	446.58
FCNL-contributions by individuals		1,690.00	1,590.00	100.00
FGC-contributions by individuals		175.00	175.00	
FUM-contributions by Mtgs. and individuals for Missions		544.89	544.89	
RSWR and Belize - contributions by Meetings and individuals		2,002.00	1,702.00	300.00
Minute 74 - contributions by Meetings and individuals	6,680.10	5,098.64	6,675.00	5,103.74
Prejudice and Poverty - Contributions by Meetings and individuals	4,037.35	7,478.68	11,275.00	241.03
Student Loans & Scholarships	4,596.22	5,480.87		10,077.09
Travel Pool for FUM Triennial	800.53	300.00		1,100.53
Travel Fund for 1976 FWCC Triennial Church Extension	281.25 6.37	2.35	281.25	
Contributory Funds Subtotal	<u>\$22,558.33</u>	<u>\$ 26,832.98</u>	<u>\$ 27,638.52</u>	<u>\$21,752.79</u>
Other Funds				
Withholding Taxes	54.10	375.60	367.10	62.60
Deferred Receipts	1,615.24	27.50	1,615.24	27.50
Field Secretary Retirement	157.71	8.45		166.16
Maple Grove Parsonage	3,790.52	203.83		3,994.35
Amesbury Meeting House	129.90	1,053.60	886.50	297.00
Wider Ministries Bake Sale		54.30		54.30
Other Funds Subtotal	<u>\$ 5,747.47</u>	<u>\$ 1,723.28</u>	<u>\$ 2,868.84</u>	<u>\$ 4,601.91</u>
TOTAL FOR NON BUDGET ACCOUNTS	<u>\$35,603.71</u>	<u>\$ 32,895.15</u>	<u>\$ 33,617.62</u>	<u>\$34,881.24</u>
GRAND TOTAL BUDGET AND NON BUDGET ACCOUNTS	<u>\$40,679.71</u>	<u>\$113,060.19</u>	<u>\$113,331.17</u>	<u>\$40,408.73</u>

On deposit May 31, 1977 in Connecticut Bank and Trust Co. (checks)

Society for Savings
 Franklin Savings Bank, New York
 Penobscot Savings Bank, Maine
 Connecticut Savings & Loan (P. & P.)
 Connecticut Savings & Loan (Student Loan)

2,804.72
 11,148.34
 15,971.39
 166.16
 241.03
10,077.09
\$40,408.73

Robert M. Brill, Treasurer

On June 27, 1977, I examined the books and the report of the Treasurer of the New England Yearly Meeting of Friends for the year ending May 31, 1977.

The Treasurer's report reflects the receipts and expenditures during such year and is in agreement with the total balances as of May 31, 1977.

Archie Meshenuk, Auditor

63. The Representatives report having a long discussion on the problems of financing those organizations which provide liaison and outreach for Friends everywhere. We want this discussion to continue until wasteful duplication is removed and the bonds of unity are firm between all sorts and conditions of Friends.

64. We ask the Executive Council to decide our location next year, bearing in mind our desire to provide alternate living styles, and several expressions, in this meeting, of satisfaction with the advantages of the Wheaton campus.

65. Katherine B. Perry, Registrar, reports full time registration this year of 219, 21 more than in 1976, and about the same number of part-time attenders.

66. Francis Holmes asks for the Archives and Historical Records Committee whether the Yearly Meeting should establish a library. The Committee should explore this question further with the Executive Council, and if it feels we should, investigate appropriate locations.

ARCHIVES AND HISTORICAL RECORDS COMMITTEE

Activity during the past year has been in several areas:

1. Items of special interest which have been added to our collection are:

- a) Monthly Meeting reports to Rhode Island Quarterly Meeting from 1756-1823, found in a chest in the attic of Moses Brown School and brought to the Archives by Frank Fuller. These were especially interesting because the written answering of Queries had just been initiated. Slavery was also a live issue, and a letter from John Woolman to all the Quarterly Meetings in New England Yearly Meeting was included.
- b) More family papers from Louisa White.
- c) Material on Job Scott researched by Jessie G. Carter.
- d) Robert J. Leach's Nantucket cassette tapes and typescripts.
- e) Monthly Meeting records from North Dartmouth Meeting.
- f) Back files of the Yearly Meeting Nominating Committee which contain valuable information on activities of present-day Friends and their involvement in Yearly Meeting affairs.

We encourage Friends to adopt definite policies on entrusting their Monthly Meeting and other records to our care. We have a priceless collection from all over New England, kept in perfect atmospheric condition, ready for research or information. Many of these have been microfilmed, so that records are available without the danger of damage to the originals. There are gaps in our collection, however, and when these occur it means that those doing studying or writing or researching an important issue are at a loss to obtain needed materials. Even those Meetings wishing to have their sources at hand locally often fail to use them there, and this means that the complete New England picture is missing from our central resource collection. Meetings are also reminded to send their Newsletters to Thyra Jane Foster regularly, as these are very important historical resource material.

2. Nineteen scholars have used the Archives for dissertations the past year, in addition to Friends who have come in quest of various information. The dissertations have included "Conditions which led to the Founding of the Anti-Slavery Society in R.I. in 1836," "Friends and the War of 1812," and "Black Abolitionists in Rhode Island."

3. Twenty-two requests for help with genealogical records have been received and filled.

4. Thyra Jane Foster has spoken to the Uxbridge Historical Association, the Rhode Island Genealogical Society, and last year's Yearly Meeting session at Newport. Her special gift for interpreting Friends' history and records is much appreciated.

5. Leather-bound volumes from the Moses and Obadiah Brown collections and others have been oiled, and necessary restoration work by the bookbinder has been started.

6. We have had two meetings of our Committee and have been involved in discussing the need for a New England Yearly Meeting library or libraries in addition to the Archives and Historical Records collection. A library as such cannot be a part of the Archives collection because of lack of space and also because by definition we are limited to primary source material. This will be discussed further at Yearly Meeting sessions this summer.

Thyra Jane Foster continues to donate a full day every week as our Archival Curator at the Rhode Island Historical Association. Ruth Burgess comes in for half a day a week. Helen Gifford, after many years of active service, retired from weekly activity last winter and is much missed. There is an opportunity here for other volunteers!

67. With minor revisions we approve the epistle presented by Louisa Alger, for reading at the conclusion of our business tomorrow.

68. MEMORIAL TO GORDON T. ROBERTS, 1922-1977

Gordon Roberts died June 7, 1977 at the close of a committee meeting to consider the future of Friends Meeting in Cambridge. Two evenings later the regular monthly meeting opened with deep silence from which many were moved to speak of the contributions that Gordon Roberts had made to them personally and to the Meeting, especially to Young Friends. The presence of the Spirit carried over from the consideration of Gordon Roberts' life to a new awareness of the Spirit at work among us. Although a pillar of strength had suddenly been withdrawn, the source of his strength was felt again.

The integrity of his whole life moved people, although his vocal ministry during worship was appreciated. Friends relied on his speaking directly to the point in business and committee sessions. He faithfully served Cambridge Monthly Meeting, Salem Quarterly Meeting, New England Yearly Meeting, and inter-faith groups. His sincerity was without condition, whether expressed about religious concerns or in his daily work as an engineer, manager, lawyer or consultant.

Characteristically, the Robertses joined Friends as a family. They moved their membership from Sandy Spring, Maryland, to Cambridge in 1962. Their children went to Lincoln and Moses Brown Schools, and Gordon Roberts served these schools loyally. Gordon and Mildred Roberts worked together in the First Day School. His good humor led Young Friends to accept him as a working partner in the planning and conduct of the May Fair. He was a memorable auctioneer; even the tedium of sorting endless books was spiced by his unpredictable comments. "He was so alive, so generous and so fully involved that we had fun," Young Friends said. "He did things with vigor and flair."

He excelled as draft and marriage counselor, mediator and counsel in business affairs. He was a wise, deliberate, perceptive and fair-dealing attorney. He moved straight to the center after careful preparation and attention to details. He articulated the essential problem of a troublesome matter, concisely but gently. His humane and sensitive dealing with clients made it a joy for persons in all walks of life—clients or adversaries, officers or secretaries—to work with him.

He generously counseled Salem Quarterly Meeting in establishing the Moses Paige Fund to support concerns within the Quarter. His term as its clerk is remembered for intervisitation and care of its smaller meetings. He had a gift for sensing unity and writing brief, graceful minutes.

While he acknowledged that he sometimes spoke bluntly, he welcomed differences with humility and humor and cherished the fellowship of those who differed from him in their common search for truth. He will be deeply missed.

69. We thank John Howard Yoder for reminding us that Biblical Christianity has inspired the peace testimony of suffering in each age for at least the past millenium. It must be the same

spirit which can evoke, with little communication between peace groups, a fresh understanding of Jesus' sacrifice.

Saturday, August 20

70. Louisa Alger has read the epistle from Philadelphia Yearly Meeting, met March 25-April 2, 1977. It expresses our own condition, with too much speech and too little waiting; and in our speech, too much of our own wishes and too little of the Truth.

71. Providence Monthly Meeting reports with deep regret that Harold W. Myers died, courageously and peacefully, on June 23, 1977. A meeting for worship in his memory was held on First Day, June 26. Many recall his persistent and friendly proposals of what he thought was good, and his ability to change their shape in the light of other Friends' consideration of them.

72. We approve the Representatives' nominations for clerks for the coming year;

Presiding Clerk:	CALEB A. SMITH
Recording Clerk:	BARBARA HADDAD
Reading Clerk:	THOMAS HANCOCK
Reading Clerk:	MARGARET ANGELL

We record our appreciation of the service of Thomas Bassett, retiring Recording Clerk.

73. Beatrice Wehmeyer, commenting that happiness is a cheerful yes by the right person at the right moment, has brought additional names to complete the committee appointments, which receive our approval.

We approve the following minutes recommended by the Peace and Social Concerns Committee:

74. Imprisonment as a response to crime brutalizes both the prisoner and the prisoners, and does not prevent crime or compensate the victims of crime. We call upon our states and the nation to develop alternatives to prison as a step toward a loving and caring society where there will be less cause for crime and where both victims and criminals are dealt with as human beings in need of our concern.

75. The Spirit is moving many of us to try to remove the seeds of war what are within us, and to act boldly and positively for peace. These actions may result in hardship for Friends who are led to witness for peace, and for those close to them. Therefore, we recognize the importance of establishing a Meeting for Sufferings, that will give spiritual and material support to Friends who are in need because of their faithfulness to our testimonies. We ask the Permanent Board of New England Yearly Meeting to study, during the coming year, the means of bringing this about, and to report back to the next session of the Yearly Meeting.

We are called to love the Lord with all our hearts, souls, minds, and strength, and our neighbors as ourselves. We seek strength and wisdom that each of us may take at least one significant step to witness for peace.

76. The Workshop on the New International Economic Order was challenged by the social and economic problems of both the developed and the underdeveloped countries of the world. There was agreement that radical changes have to be made in our own country as well as in other parts of the world. We will have to recognize the interdependence of nations today and the necessity for all nations to work together if economic and social problems are to be solved.

77. Cushman Anthony and Donnell Boardman for the Committee on Right Sharing of World Resources report the following queries, as a way of bringing its ongoing concerns to our attention:

I. What has "right sharing" of my personal talents and my worldly resources to do with my way of life?

II. Does my job create? Serve? Does it provide advantages to both — or all — participants? Or is it a sum-zero" contract, i.e., a transaction in which one benefits only at the expense of another? How can I make every relation beneficial and creative for everyone?

III. Do I believe in the basic concepts and practices of unearned income? Are those concepts consistent with the teaching of Jesus as expressed by Friends?

IV. Does my wealth enrich or impoverish others? Were others impoverished in its attainment?

78. Margaret Angell has read, and we approve, the report of the Board of Auditors of Investments and Permanent Funds:

AUDITORS OF THE PERMANENT FUNDS

The accounts submitted by Industrial National Bank to the Board of Managers of Investments and Permanent Funds between April 30, 1976, and March 31, 1977, and subsequent records have been examined. The Auditors Committee is satisfied the accounts are in proper order to enable the Board's clear understanding of the current status of the permanent funds and of the recommendations of their investment counsellor. We are also generally satisfied that the Board is following the Yearly Meeting policy in selecting investments according to the 1975 guidelines although we suggest four questions with respect to their implementation: First, whether direct investments are preferable to indirect investments through investing trusts whose portfolios are not guided by our religious principles; second, whether the relatively more speculative options market is appropriate for our Yearly Meeting operations; third, whether low-value stocks likely to become delisted might well be avoided; and fourth, whether the volume of our trading, amounting in 11 months to about \$607,000 or 41% of the average total value of \$1,485,000 in market securities, represents a reasonable turnover rate.

We intend next year to research the investment philosophies and mechanics of a few other Yearly Meetings with respect to these questions and their auditing methods, as we feel uncertain of our own. We would welcome our Yearly Meeting's guidance for future audits, especially as to emphasis on accounting mechanics within the bank and as to moral principles applied to the competitive marketplace.

John R. Kellam, Peter Shaw, George Beal, Auditors

79. Andrew Towl confirms that the Board is in substantial agreement, according to the guidelines established in 1975, with the queries in Minute 77. It will keep reviewing its portfolio in the light of these concerns, keeping in mind both the need to divest ourselves of holdings in businesses whose affairs are not

conducted in harmony with our testimonies, and the possibility of carrying our testimonies to the managers when we are shareholders.

BOARD OF MANAGERS OF INVESTMENTS AND PERMANENT FUNDS

We are pleased to submit our report for the fiscal year April 1, 1976 through March 31, 1977.

Interest and dividends from the Pooled Funds for the year 4/1/76-3/31/77 after payment for investment advice and bank services amounted to \$88,000. This meant that for each 1000 units held during the year, participants received income of \$38.51 compared with \$33.20 during the previous year. The net distribution per unit for fiscal year 1977 represents 5.2% on the market value of a unit at the beginning of the year. At that date, the value of 1000 units was \$740 compared with a value of \$720 as of 3/31/77. This decrease of 2.7% compares with a decrease of 8% in the Dow Jones Industrial Average and a decrease of 1.4% in the Standard and Poors 500 Index.

The Board has met regularly each month to review the portfolio in the light of changing conditions and the advice of our professional counsel, C. Russell deBurlo. As this is being written we are saddened by the news that one of our faithful and concerned members, Gordon T. Roberts, died on June 7.

Investment Strategy

Our goal is to seek the gradual growth of income and principal by investing only in stocks and bonds of issuers whose business is consistent with Friends' principles.

All who invest in the securities market seek varying combinations of safety and growth of principal and incomes. These objectives are to a certain extent contradictory and involve some degree of risk. We seek to minimize these risks by investing in a diversified list of stocks and bonds. At year end, after withdrawals our position was as follows:

Cash equivalents	\$153,000	10.6%
Bonds and debentures	375,000	26.0
Stocks and Convertible debentures	916,000	63.4
Total	\$1,444,000	100.0%

During the year we have made some changes in our investment approach:

First, we have sought to replace securities wherever feasible with those promising higher dividends and interest yields, and still representing sound values.

Second, we have reduced the number of securities in our portfolio from 44 at the beginning of the year to 34 at the end. In that connection we have also eliminated the so-called 5% Fund which sought to profit from short swing movements in the market. We believe that a more limited number of securities will permit the Board to follow more closely each of the securities in our overall objective of investing for the long run, but will still give us adequate diversification. We do not expect to exceed \$100,000 in any single issue.

Third, we have begun to write calls on stocks in our portfolio. This means that for a certain premium that is paid to us, we give the holder of the call the right during a stipulated period of time to purchase a specific stock in our portfolio. If the stock rises above the option contract price the call is likely to be exercised; if it stays level or moves down, it will not be exercised. In either case, we keep the premium that is paid. An option contract may deprive us of a portion of capital appreciation we might otherwise have. On the other hand it provides some additional income and protection against loss in the event the market moves down. The Board has decided to allocate one-half of the premium receipts to principal and one-half to income. We began writing calls in November, 1976 and from time to time have written calls with respect to seven stocks. The net receipts from writing calls at the end of the year was \$1,600.

Participating Funds

During the year Lincoln School Foundation in accord with an agreement reached with New England Yearly Meeting, redeemed 308,505 units for \$224,344. A minimum redemption fee of 6 tenths of 1% was agreed upon in order to cover the expenses of the redemption and to prevent any burden on the continuing unit holders.

At year end and after giving effect to the Lincoln withdrawals there were eleven participating funds with a total of 2,005,693 units and a combined market value of \$1,443,680. Details are shown in the accompanying report from the Industrial National Bank of Providence. (This report available for perusal at Clerk's desk.)

Sub-committee on Accounting, Audit, and Reports

During the year the Board formed a new sub-committee to help us reconsider the whole range of procedures of accounting and reporting for the Pooled Funds and to work with the Audit Committee customarily appointed by the Yearly Meeting. It is too early for this present report to reflect fully the work of this sub-committee, but the determination of 4/1 through 3/31 as our fiscal year and the idea of an open meeting with representatives of participating funds before Yearly Meeting indicate the utility of their work.

Looking Forward

The Board expects to be considering modifications relating to the administration and management of the Pooled Funds growing out of the new sub-committee study and discussions with representatives of participating funds. The Board intends generally to continue the policies we have followed in the past modifying them in the light of experience. We also expect to review the guidelines for investment which we started to test in late 1975 in order to reflect experience since that time.

For additional information you should refer to the attached schedules (and to materials to be distributed at the open meeting, 6/22/77 at Wellesley). We would be pleased to hear at any time from any of those concerned with participating funds or other interested parties.

80. Committees which were not given time for full reports in the business sessions were afforded an opportunity for a two minute report at some time during our sessions to call attention to their work. The written reports of these committees follow:

FAITH AND PRACTICE REVIEW COMMITTEE

Friends are invited to come to an open meeting of the Faith and Practice review Committee at Yearly Meeting on Wednesday, August 17, at 1:30 P.M. The place will be announced.

Folders containing background information and questions for discussion are available at the Registration Desk if you have not already received one.

The committee has met on Committee Days, and has held two day-long sessions, one in Greenfield and one in Cambridge. We have received and recorded suggestions for revision from several sources in the Yearly Meeting.

FRIENDS WORLD COMMITTEE FOR CONSULTATION REPRESENTATIVES

During 1976-77 Elmer Brown, Thelma Babbitt, and Beatrice Wehmeyer were active in attending the annual and quarterly meetings of the Friends World Committee for Consultation. Also, at Yearly Meeting in 1976, Robert Rumsey, Associate Secretary of the FWCC, suggested that New England Friends might arrange a regional meeting with the Atlantic Provinces Friends.

The FWCC Long Range Planning Committee in 1974 had recommended that several yearly meetings send representatives to a regional meeting to share ideas, resources, projects, and programs across yearly meeting lines. As a Faith and Life Movement venture, such a meeting would increase the acquaintance among Friends of differing backgrounds and hopefully would lead to greater spiritual depth and guidance. After the FWCC approved the recommendation, eight midwest yearly meetings appointed six representatives each to attend such a meeting, and the meeting was very successful.

The New England FWCC representatives accepted Robert Rumsey's suggestion, and after Yearly Meeting they contacted the Canadians, who readily accepted the idea. The thought was that the meeting would take place in October 1977. In the absence of the Clerk, Beatrice Wehmeyer acted as correspondent through the winter months.

When the Clerk returned in the spring, however, he found that the Canadian

Friends were enthusiastically planning to have the meeting during the week following the yearly meetings of New England and Canada. Consequently, a three-day meeting was arranged to take place at that time at China Lake. It was agreed that New England and the Atlantic Provinces would each send ten representatives and that the agenda would be created at the meeting from the concerns of the attenders. The main emphasis was to join hands across the border.

FRIENDS UNITED MEETING COMMITTEE

The Friends United Meeting Committee met on three committee days with fair attendance. Six of our nine appointed Commission members attended the Friends United Meeting Commission meetings in Richmond last October. The two appointed attended the General Board meeting. Because of the financial conditions, FUM paid only travel expenses last fall, and the members attending paid their own room and board. The spring meetings were cancelled and only the Executive Committee met to conduct necessary business. Clarabel Marsteller is on that committee.

FUM staff curtailed their travel and assumed additional responsibilities, secretaries served more than one person and cut their hours down, and no new programs were undertaken. It was truly a cooperative adventure to reduce the deficit as much as possible.

The Friends United Meeting Triennial sessions will be held next June 30-July 6 at Oskaloosa, Iowa, on the campus of William Penn College. There will be representation of the FUM staff with us this year at our Yearly Meeting sessions.

We unite with Friends across FUM in sorrow and a sense of loss at the accidental death of Joyce Heusel, wife of Lorton Heusel, General Secretary of FUM. May he feel our loving support.

MINUTE 74 COMMITTEE

Re-reading Gordon Browne's 1975 report for the Minute 74 Committee provides much food for thought as we examine the present state of the committee and its plans for the future. In that report the large initial grants to the committee as well as the enthusiasm of the schools loomed large. In the first ten years of its existence the committee had a real impact on the New England Friends schools, helping to bring about an impressive change in their recruitment practices so that a real effort seemed to be being made to include minority and economically disadvantaged students in their school communities.

During the past year the Minute 74 Committee has been reviewing the present situation, and, unfortunately, we have found a somewhat changed picture. Individual Friends, some Monthly Meetings, and the Obadiah Brown's Benevolent Fund continue to provide generous support, though it has dwindled slowly over the years. Even more disappointing, however, is the lack of any improvement in the efforts of the schools. Minority enrollments have dropped only slightly in the last two or three years, but we see none of the kind of effort that was initially being made to show a real commitment to making our schools better reflect Friends' social testimonies.

Far from being able to content ourselves with encouraging ongoing programs, then, the Minute 74 Committee is faced with a real challenge in the coming years to find ways to help our schools live up to and increase their commitment to providing a Quaker education for all who can benefit from it and not just for those financially able to pay. We will continue to ask Friends for funds, but, perhaps even more importantly, we will work with the schools to help them carry out our testimonies.

EQUALIZATION FUND COMMITTEE

In 1976, a total of \$2,998.00 in aid was given to Friends to enable them to attend Yearly Meeting. Fourteen adults, 24 Young Friends and 26 Junior Friends were helped. Letters urging Friends to use the Fund to attend 1977 Yearly Meeting were sent to each Monthly and Quarterly Meeting. The Committee thanks the Meetings and the individuals and the Obadiah Brown Fund for their continued interest and generous contributions to the Fund.

The Committee is attempting to trace its history and purpose so that we can ascertain if the Fund can be used for additional purposes, e.g., help for China Camp attenders.

STUDENT LOAN AND SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

The Student Loan and Scholarship Committee adopted a new statement of purpose along with new policies, procedures and application forms. Funds for educational purposes are available as loans to members and children of members of New England Yearly Meeting. Seventeen loans totaling \$9,639.92 are outstanding. Repayments of loans due have brought the Fund up to \$11,470.43 so that new requests can be processed once more. Contributions sent to the Fund in memory of Gordon T. Roberts totalled \$600.

MOSHER BOOK AND TRACT COMMITTEE

The Mosher Book and Tract Committee, with Marion Jessell no longer clerk, has been inactive this year. Most members did not attend the two committee meetings called. **Quaker Life** was sent to ministers, pastors and secretaries of meetings. Books were not sent to monthly meetings as in former years. The Committee should work more closely with, if not be a part of, the Committee on Ministry and Counsel. A request to publish an early essay on Friends' testimonies in business, along with London minutes on the subject, was received in the spring from the Committee on Right Sharing of World Resources. The Christian Education Committee intends to request funds for Quaker materials for the young.

COMMITTEE ON PREJUDICE AND POVERTY

Minute 60

Another additional year of caring has passed since we of the New England Yearly Meeting of Friends reached and exceeded our five-year goal of \$100,000. through the combined efforts (1970-75) of Minute 74 and Minute 60, thus acknowledging some measure of our responsibilities for Victims of Prejudice and Poverty. In the fiscal year 1976-77 Minute 60 has been privileged to act as a channel for the funding of four principal types of grant: 1) For American Indians; 2) For the sheltering of women in transition; 3) For prisoners, ex-offenders and their families; and 4) For those beset by poverty and the economic crisis. (The order of the above classification is random.)

Has our society failed to relate to the hopes, needs and potential nationhood of American Indians living among us? New England Friends have taken two steps, by grants:

To Friends of the Abnaki People (Putney, VT)	\$ 1,000
To Southern Maine Indian Association (Portland, ME)	750

Are women confronted with "problems of abuse/neglect and redefinition of the family structure?" New England Quakers, 1976-77, have listened and have answered with four awards:

To Women's Crisis Center (Brattleboro, VT)	2,000
To New England Learning Center for Women in Transition (Greenfield, MA)	800
To Women's House of Transition (Burlington, VT)	750
To Women's Center (Providence, RI)	750

How can we as Quakers assist in the (re)building of a creative sense of values and of personal responsibility on the part of those whose own misdeeds and/or society's failure to empathize have put them in prison? In this purpose NEYM (Minute 60) in 1976-77 has preliminarily given as follows:

To Fran's Right-price Thrift Shop (Worcester, MA)	1,000
To Project UNLOCK, of the Aid Center (New Bedford, MA)	2,100
To Boston Bail Project/Bail Funds (Cambridge, MA)	375
To New Bedford Halfway House, Inc.	500

Will Friends respond and assist in the efforts of the poor, including minorities, to better their lot through self-help projects and in other ways? We have initially given affirmative answers:

To "We Who Care" (Portland, ME)	1,000
To Granite State Alliance (Manchester, NH)	750

This gives a TOTAL OF MINUTE 60 GRANTS in the current fiscal year, through May 31, 1977, of:

Contributions and repayment of loan in 1976-77 amount to	\$11,775
	\$12,016

This is substantial giving for a relatively small yearly meeting. At the same time, a succinct listing of CURRENT GRANT REQUESTS as of August 3, 1977, will serve to bring the Meeting's potential into focus.

Request by "We Who Care" (Portland, ME)	\$ 600
Request by Homer Thomas School (W. Brattleboro, VT)	1,000
Request by Norman Wilson Memorial (Whately, MA)	1,000
Request by Aroostook Indians (Houlton, ME)	est. 500
Request by Earth Stewards, Inc. (Windham, VT)	at least 1,000
Request by Women's House of Transition (Burlington, VT)	at least 1,000
Request by Sam Ely Community Service (Augusta, ME)	est. 500
Request by Community Health Center (Burlington, VT)	est. 1,000
Request by North Country People's Alliance (Woodville, NH)	1,000
Request by Women's Center (Providence, RI)	667
Request by Concilio Human Services, Inc. (Boston, MA)	at least 1,000
TOTAL of Requests	\$ 9,267
Minute 60 Funds in hand (August 1, 1977)	\$ 1,281

From this listing we see that Minute 60, with its current funds, can now honor only 13% of the above requests. Indeed our work is cut out for us as we continue the task at hand. But, what is more, to give financial assistance (money) is only a point of departure. We must more significantly create means of revealing and expressing a deep, human concern for those who turn to us. (They in turn must share their benefits with one another, and with society, in a spirit of brotherhood, as their circumstances improve.)

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE

The Christian Education Committee has been active this year both evaluating Junior Yearly Meeting and trying to identify the needs of constituent meetings. We made contact with Meetings in two newsletters and a questionnaire. We experimented with a program designed to give children in local Meetings an opportunity to come to Yearly Meeting with something to contribute and thus make a connection between Monthly Meeting and Yearly Meeting. To do this, we suggested that various Quarters study different world cultures or countries and come to Yearly Meeting prepared to share what they had learned. This curriculum suggestion for local Meeting was not intended to interfere with those Meetings who are happily using Living Light or other curriculum materials. Several Meetings studied the country suggested and seemed to welcome a First Day School focus given by the Christian Education Committee. We will evaluate this idea when we evaluate Junior Yearly Meeting 1977.

A workshop held in Wellesley in February with Caroline Pineo from Philadelphia Yearly Meeting was intended to help Meetings implement their study of different countries or to use other curriculum materials. Caroline brought a wealth of resources (not the least of which was herself!) and was inspiring to many. She especially gave spirit (and materials) to Friends from Providence who were eager to find out how they could fill the religious education place left vacant by the sudden death of Ruth Kellam, active both in Providence and on the Yearly Meeting Christian Education Committee.

Caroline also sat in on our Committee meeting and helped us design a questionnaire on religious education which we sent out to all Meetings. The results of this questionnaire, published in *The New England Friend*, encouraged us to move forward with plans for a Religious Education Resource Center which would have books and curriculum materials which could be borrowed by mail by individuals or Meetings. Setting up and publicizing this Resource Center will be one of our priorities for the coming year, as we hope to be more responsive to the needs of local Meetings.

THE COMMITTEE ON AGING

The Committee on Aging has had over 100% participation this past year. We have accomplished this by coopting two members, and active participation by committee members. We are trying to build an awareness of aging by encouraging discussions in local Meetings, developing bibliographies for personal and Meeting use, and providing some thought stimuli in the *New England Friend*.

Bringing attention to the responsibility we each have to care for our own bodies

and placing less burden on others, we are directing our attention toward reduced hearing loss which can insidiously creep upon us. We are aware that Meetings and members can become more sensitive, thus making adjustments in access to Meetinghouses, considering improved acoustical arrangements, timing of meetings, duplicating the morning message to be shared among those absent, and developing improved correspondence and visiting arrangements.

We are preparing suggestions for exercises for inactive persons confined to bed and/or chair.

Good participation in John Greenleaf Whittier Day at Amesbury and Haverhill provided an intergenerational gathering.

We are aware of many items of unfinished business of this Committee—one of which is to help us to build an increased dignity and respect for our older members and to recognize that one of the gifts of aging can be spiritual maturity.

81. Thomas Hutcheson and Dacre Hancock, co-clerks of Young Friends Meeting, introduce Michael Carter, new Coordinator of Young Friends. Young Friends have brought him into the meeting room, held high with their hands, as a demonstration of cooperation and mutual trust. Davis Oldham reads their epistle, and they carry Andrew Grannell, their retiring leader, out of the room in the same way.

YOUNG FRIENDS EPISTLE

Love and greetings to all young Friends:

"To Dwell in Love always and towards all is to live the true life, is to have Life itself. Knowing this, the good person gives up himself/herself unreservedly to the Spirit of Love and dwells in love towards all, contending with none, condemning none, but Loving all."

James Allen

Between August 15-20, Young Friends from throughout New England gathered, in conjunction with New England Yearly Meeting, at Wheaton College, Massachusetts, to renew friendships and rediscover the joy of loving and learning in the Light. In addition to Young Friends who have been in attendance for some time, this Yearly Meeting saw an abundance of new young faces and visitors from other Yearly Meetings, including North Carolina, Philadelphia, Minnesota and Kansas.

Due to a concerted effort during last year's sessions to bring the adults and Young Friends closer together, this Yearly Meeting was marked by a new spirit of cooperation between the two groups. A major element of this cooperation was the large number of older Friends who shared their time and expertise to provide us with new insights into areas of concern for Friends. This sharing took the form of presentations on such subjects as active nonviolence, racism in South Africa, the law of the sea, and death and dying. Along with these specific Young Friends activities, we participated in the adults' workshops and worship-sharing groups. Non-leader adults also came and joined us in our sessions.

Of course the true feeling of Yearly Meeting cannot be conveyed through writing: the games, the eternal horseplay, the staying up until all hours of the night for no reason other than to share each other's company as much as possible. At Yearly Meeting we have come to know and love our friends better than ever, and have been filled with a joy which will keep us well until we gather again.

Alison Sander, Clerk

Sarah Roberts, Recording Clerk

Epistle Committee:

Davis Oldham

David Harris

Martha Mangelsdorf

Sarah Roberts

82. Piero Fischetti, as he is leaving Yearly Meeting has said, "I'd like to try to tell you that Liliana and I, we are very happy and proud to be here and share your religious richness and see your activity. I love Quakerism and my wish is to join you in the unity of all Friends. I would be very happy."

Talmadge and Edith Neece of Hartford Meeting bring greetings from the worship group in Rome.

83. Elizabeth Muench has read an epistle from Multnomah Meeting of Friends, Portland, Oregon, expressing regret that the New Zealand and United States governments have disregarded the United Nations' attempt to set aside the South Pacific as a zone free of nuclear weapons. We considered their concern in quiet worship.

84. After worship considerably blessed by a covering presence, Hobart Mitchell for the Correspondence Committee has read our epistle to Friends everywhere.

GENERAL EPISTLE

To Friends Everywhere:

We send you our loving greetings from the beautiful grounds of Wheaton College, where we have gathered for six days of work and refreshment.

At our opening session we were reminded by John Sullivan of the American Friends Service Committee that Friends' concern for human rights stems from our experience of divine love, which includes awareness of not only the political, civil and religious rights cherished by countries in the West but also the social and economic rights valued by the Eastern block and the Third World. Many of us today are coming to see as wrong the role of American corporations and institutions in supporting armaments for Vietnam, apartheid in the South African economy, the overthrow of a government in Chile; some of us, especially the young, draw less inspiration from the American and French revolutions than from the liberation movements in Cuba and Vietnam. But Friends can take no side where there is violence; impelled by the love of God we must be prepared to face bitter criticism from both the left and the right as we press on toward that difficult goal: all human rights for all people.

Fay Honey Knopp carried forward our theme for this year, "Building Foundations for a Non-violent Society," in telling us of the terrible violence done to prisoners in prisons and of the need for a non-violent response to crime and for entirely new ways—not new prisons—of healing the wounds of wrong-doers and victims alike. She made us aware that imprisonment is involuntary servitude.

The need of the Peace Churches in striving to develop a non-violent society was outlined for us by John Howard Yoder, himself a Mennonite. While he said that there is certainly no simple answer to the question, he advised us to consider the historical record of Jesus, seeking to find a means that will bring peace under the arms and arrogance of the Twentieth Century.

Helen Hole, with a refreshingly new approach to Bible study, presented some New Testament stories, asking each hearer to identify in turn with the different characters and from each new point of view to reconsider the story. Our workshops were divided among social problems, Bible study, and ways of coping with personal crisis. The profound silence at the opening and closing of our sessions, as well as after memorials, important reports and in our small worship-sharing groups, witnessed to the depth of our involvement in the spiritual work of the meeting.

We are thankful for the presence of Young Friends and Juniors, who have brightened the walls of our meeting room with posters, planned a joyous International Festival, and challenged their elders to work and play, eat and talk with them.

We leave, strengthened and encouraged for the work ahead and confident of renewal again next year.

Signed on behalf of New England Yearly Meeting of Friends,

Caleb A. Smith, Clerk

Thomas Bassett, Recording Clerk

85. Claire O'Shea, Clerk of Junior Yearly Meeting, has read us its epistle:

JUNIOR YEARLY MEETING EPISTLE

To Friends everywhere,

This year's Yearly Meeting was held at Wheaton College in Norton, Massachusetts. Junior Yearly Meeting's theme was global awareness. We observed different studies of countries brought to us by friends throughout New England. The specified countries which we studied were Ireland, Costa Rica, Hopi Nation of the United States, and India. Many games were played, many of which were conflict resolving. Junior Yearly Meeting ended with a great International Festival in which we all participated.

Junior Yearly Meeting members were very energetic this year. We did great things like roller skating, swimming, dancing, skateboarding, pizza parties, and lots of other activities. Junior Yearly Meeting's staff this year was the best yet. We hope, but have little doubt, that next year's Yearly Meeting will turn out as well.

Clare O'Shea, Clerk

Nathan Wiser, Recording Clerk

86. We record our gratitude to our Presiding Clerk, who has turned aside all thought of his own health and comfort to preside faithfully and well over these sessions.

87. We conclude our Yearly Meeting for 1977, thankful for the felt presence of our Lord during our worship and deliberations. We look forward to a year of increased effort to build foundations for a non-violent society. Inspired by the greater insights we have gained into the seeds of violence in our society, its economic institutions and its prison system, we resolve to do more than be aware of these problems as seen through a window. We look forward to a period of increased cooperation with Mennonite and Brethren groups in building for world peace.

We adjourn, purposing to meet in 1978, the Lord willing, at a time and place to be set by the Executive Council.

CALEB A. SMITH, Presiding Clerk

THOMAS BASSETT, Recording Clerk

We hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes as approved from time to time in the foregoing schedule of sessions, to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Caleb A. Smith

Thomas Bassett

YEARLY MEETING PROGRAM

1977

Monday, August 15

- 1:30 P.M. Permanent Board
 4:00 **Opening Worship and Business Session:** Worship, Introduction of Visiting Friends and JYM and YF staff, Roll Call of Representatives
 6:45 Junior Yearly Meeting Parents/Adult Counselor and Staff Meeting
 7:45 **Keynote Speaker:** John A. Sullivan, "The Challenge of Violence"
 8:45 Representatives Meeting
 Orientation Session for New Attenders

Tuesday, August 16

- 7:15 A.M. Early Morning Worship
 8:45 **Bible Half Hour,** Helen Hole: The Faces of Christ; Christ the Healer
 9:30-10:30 **Worship-Sharing Groups**
 10:45 **Business Session:** Report of Ministry and Counsel, State of Society, Concerns. Quarterly Meeting Concerns. Faith and Practice Review Committee
 1:30 P.M. All Age Activity
 4:00-5:30 **Workshops**
 7:00 Informal Singing
 7:30 **Business Session:** Peace and Social Concerns Committee, Wider Ministries Committee, Permanent Board
 9:00 Representatives Meeting

Wednesday, August 17

- 7:15 A.M. Early Morning Worship
 8:45 **Bible Half Hour,** Helen Hole: The Faces of Christ; Christ the Teacher
 9:30-10:30 **Worship-Sharing Groups**
 10:45 **Business Session:** Nominating Committee Report; Executive Council; Field Secretary; Office Secretary; Statistics; Ministry and Education Secretary
 1:30 P.M. Open Committee Meetings for Planning
 4:00-5:30 **Workshops**
 7:00 Informal Singing
 7:30 **Evening Session,** Fay Honey Knopp, "A Non-Violent Response to Crime"

Thursday, August 18

- 7:15 A.M. Early Morning Worship
 8:45 **Bible Half Hour,** Helen Hole: The Faces of Christ; Christ the Transfigured
 9:30-10:30 **Worship-Sharing Groups**
 10:45 **Business Session:** Young Friends; Junior Yearly Meeting, Global Awareness; China Camp
 1:30 P.M. Open Committee Meetings for Planning
 4:00-5:30 **Workshops**
 7:00 Informal Singing
 7:30 **Business Session:** Ad Hoc Committee on Friends Educational Needs; Coordinating Committee of the Schools; New England Friends Home; Friends Community Development Corporation

Friday, August 19

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| 7:15 | A.M. | Early Morning Worship |
| 8:45 | | Bible Half Hour , Helen Hole: The Faces of Christ; Christ, the Prophetic Voice |
| 9:30-10:30 | | Worship-Sharing Groups |
| 10:45 | | Business Session: Report on Wichita Conference; Finance Committee; Plans for next Yearly Meeting; Committee Concerns; Correspondence Committee |
| 12:30 | P.M. | United Society of Friends Women Luncheon, Anne Shope, Speaker |
| 2:30 | | Festival-Celebration |
| 4:00-5:30 | | Workshops |
| 7:00 | | Informal Singing |
| 7:30 | | Evening Session , John Howard Yoder, "Peace Church Identity in Its Wider Context" |

Saturday, August 20

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| 7:15 | A.M. | Early Morning Worship |
| 8:45 | | Open Committee Meetings for Planning |
| 10:30 | | Business Session: Representatives Report; Committee Concerns |
| 1:30 | P.M. | Bible Half Hour , Helen Hole: The Faces of Christ; The Christ of the First Christians |
| 2:15 | | Concluding Business Session: Worship, Epistle; Concluding Minute |
| 3:30 | | Permanent Board |

WORKSHOPS

1. Native Americans and Friends.
2. New International Economic Order.
3. New Call to Peacemaking.
4. Education and Apprenticeship for Peace.
5. Reaching out to Seekers and Friends. ~
6. Living Without a Partner.
7. Death and Bereavement.
8. The Johannine Letters.
9. Journal Keeping.
10. Remarriage.

Tabulated Statement of Membership Changes in New England Yearly Meeting for the Year Ending 12-31-1976

	Gains										Losses																		
	No. of Members, 1975	Omissions last Report	Additions by Birth	Additions by Request	Addition from another Friends Meeting	Total Additions	Error in last Report	Death	Discontinuance, Resignation or Disowment	Cert. to other Frds. Mtg.	Letter to another Den.	Total Loss	No. Members this Year	Net Gain	Net Loss	Number of Males	Number of Females	Number under age 25	Number over age 65	Number of Junior Mbrs.		Jr. Members Trans. to Active Membership	No. of Resident Mbrs.	No. of Non-Resident Members	Attd. at Sun. Wor. (est.)	Sojourning & Affil. Mbrs.	Part. Sun. Classes or Dis.	Reg. Weekday Meetings	Mbrs. attending Friends' Schools and Colleges
Hartford	236	0	7	6	4	17	0	1	4	12	0	17	236	0	0	95	141	83	40	77	1	153	83	90	0	45	0	4	
Middletown	36	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	34	0	2	16	18	9	2	8	1	22	12	20	0	14	0	1	
Mt. Toby	224	0	0	2	3	5	0	2	0	2	0	4	225	1	0	113	112	64	27	89	0	141	84	95	0	36	0	1	
New Haven	67	0	1	2	0	3	0	0	0	4	1	5	65	0	2	30	35	22	6	16	1	41	24	50	4	35	2	2	
New London	27	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	29	2	0	9	20	9	10	0	0	19	10	18	0	0	0	0	
Pleasant Street	39	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	2	38	0	1	21	17	9	8	6	0	25	13	35	22	15	0	2	
Storrs	69	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	70	1	0	32	38	25	3	20	0	49	21	35	1	30	1	4	
Watertown	0	0	0	11	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	11	0	4	7	0	5	4	0	10	1	15	0	4	0	0	
Conn. Valley Q.M.	698	0	8	25	7	40	1	3	6	19	1	30	708	10	0	320	388	221	101	220	3	460	248	358	27	179	3	14	
Concord	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19	0	0	8	11	0	0	0	0	17	2	15	0	8	0	0	
Dover	118	1	0	3	1	5	6	3	0	0	0	9	114	0	4	48	66	21	24	10	0	79	35	47	0	18	0	0	
Weare	54	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	2	52	0	2	24	28	5	17	0	0	24	28	10	0	0	0	0	
Dover Q.M.	191	1	0	3	1	5	6	4	1	0	0	11	185	0	6	80	105	26	41	10	0	120	65	72	0	26	0	0	
Durham	133	0	1	3	0	4	0	1	0	0	0	1	136	3	0	53	83	37	27	36	0	81	55	37	0	29	2	0	
Parsonsfeld	31	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	30	0	1	16	14	2	4	0	0	17	13	3	0	0	0	0	
Portland	84	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	0	3	81	0	3	26	55	15	30	14	0	58	23	20	3	37	1	0	
Sandwich	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	2	6	0	7	0	0	3	5	40	0	0	0	0	
Windham	49	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	49	0	0	15	34	5	13	0	0	49	0	35	0	25	0	0	
Falmouth Q.M.	305	0	1	3	0	4	0	3	2	0	0	5	304	0	1	112	192	59	81	50	0	208	96	135	3	91	3	0	

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DIRECTORY OF MEETINGS

Direct Correspondence to Clerk or Pastor

CONNECTICUT VALLEY QUARTERLY MEETING

Clay Steinberger, Clerk. Held on the first weekends of February and May, and the third weekend in October. In February at West Hartford; in May at New Haven, Middletown, or Storrs; in October at Mt. Toby. Hours of meeting vary. Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Counsel the same day or evening before, Thomas Hancock, Clerk.

Meeting	Location	Sunday Worship	Sunday Study	Business Meeting	Clerk, Corres., Pastor
Hartford Mo. Meeting	144 S. Quaker Lane, West Hartford, CT 06119	10:00	11:00	2nd Thursday, except July & August, 7:30	Elsa N. Cullen, Clerk
Middletown Mo. Mtg.	Russell House, Cor. Washington and High Streets, Middletown, CT	10:00		3rd Sunday, homes of mem- bers, 7:30	Walter Morris, Clerk
Mt. Toby Mo. Meeting	Rt. 63, 4½ miles north of Amherst, Ma (mail to RFD 3, Amherst 01002)	9:00 & 11:00 10:00, June-Aug.	10:00	3rd Friday, 7:30	Joseph Havens, Clerk
Berkshire All'd Meeting	Home of Lester Clarke, Rt. 102, South Lee, MA	11:00			Lester Clarke, Corres.
Greenfield Prep. Meeting	Deerfield, MA, Woolman Hill, Keets Rd., off Route 5	9:00		2nd Sunday, 10:00	Gary Gustafson, Corres.
Northampton Worship Group	Home of Bruce Hawkins, 61 Henshaw Ave., Northampton, MA	11:00 except 4th Sun.			Bruce Hawkins
New Haven Mo. Meeting	Faculty Room, Conn. Hall, Old Campus, Yale U., New Haven CT	9:45	9:45 11:00 1st Sun., Seeker's Session	2nd Sunday, 11:00	Ruth Hawes, Clerk
New London Monthly Mtg.	Thames Learning Center, 622 Williams St., New London, CT 06320	10:00	11:00	3rd Sunday, 11:00	Bettie Chu, Clerk
Pleasant Street Meeting	901 Pleasant Street, Worcester, MA 01602	11:00		2nd Sunday, 1:00	Norman W. Klein, Clerk

Storrs Monthly Meeting	57 Hunting Lodge Rd., Storrs, CT 06268	10:00	2nd & 4th Sundays	3rd Sunday, 11:15	Lawrence Parrish, Clerk
Watertown Mo. Meeting	Public Library, 470 Main St., Watertown, CT	10:00		1st Sunday, 11:00	Fred L. Wheeler, Clerk

DOVER QUARTERLY MEETING

Donald Baker, Clerk. Held on the fourth Sunday in April at Dover, on the third Saturday in August at Weare (Henniker Meeting House), and on the fourth Saturday in October at Gonic. Worship at 11:00 a.m.; luncheon at noon; 1:00 p.m. business and program; except Dover where worship is at 10:30.

Concord Monthly Meeting	Merrimack Valley Day Care Ctr., 19 N. Fruit St. (near corner of Pleasant St.), Concord, NH	10:00	9:30	Alternates 2nd Sun. after lunch & 2nd Sat. evening	Graham Chynoweth, Clerk
Dover Monthly Meeting	Consult Clerk for place of Business Meeting (alternates Dover & Gonic)			Sunday before Q.M. following worship; or at call of Clerk	Shirley Leslie, Clerk
Dover Prep. Meeting	141 Central Ave., Dover, NH 03820 (mail to P.O. Box 98)	10:30	10:45	2nd Tuesday, except July & August	Amna Stabler, Clerk
Gonic Prep. Meeting	Maple Street, Gonic, NH	10:30		1st Sunday, 11:45, except Jan. & Feb.	Fritz Bell, Corres.
West Epping All'd Mtg.	Friend St., off Old Rt. 101, West Epping, NH	10:30			Henry T. Osborne, Clerk
Weare Monthly Meeting	Federated Church, North Weare, NH	1st & 3rd Sundays 9:45 except July & August	11:00	1st Friday, homes of members, 8:00; in August at Henniker, 10:30	Quenton Huntley, Pastor
Henniker Mtg. for Worship	Henniker, NH	10:30			Henry T. Osborne, Corres.
Pittsfield Mtg. for Worship	Pittsfield, NH	2nd & 4th Sundays 10:30 1st & 3rd Sundays			Henry T. Osborne, Corres.

FALMOUTH QUARTERLY MEETING

Margaret Wentworth, Clerk. Held on the last Saturday in January, April and October and the fourth Saturday in August. In August at Sandwich, NH; October at Windham; January at Portland; April at Durham. Worship and program at 10:30 a.m., business meeting at 1:00. Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Counsel held irregularly.

Meeting	Location	Sunday Worship	Sunday Study	Business Meeting	Clerk, Corres., Pastor
Durham Monthly Meeting	Durham, Maine, Rt. 125 between Freeport and Lisbon Falls	10:00	11:00	3rd Wed., 7:30	Nancy Marsteller, Clerk Peter Crysdale, Pastor
Parsonsfield Monthly Mtg.	East Parsonsfield, Maine	Contact Clerk		Call of Clerk	Dorothy Bickford, Clerk
Portland Friends Meeting	1837 Forest Avenue, Portland, ME	10:00 9:30 summer	10:00	1st Sunday, after Worship	Barbara Woodbury, Clerk
Sandwich Monthly Meeting	North Sandwich, NH	10:30 July & August		Call of Clerk	Marion I. Spaulding, Clerk
Windham Monthly Meeting	Windham Center, Maine, Route 202	9:00	10:30	3rd Sunday, after Worship	Ramona L. Moore, Clerk Calvin A. Libby, Pastor

NORTHWEST QUARTERLY MEETING

Virginia A. Towle, Clerk. Held at Farm and Wilderness Camps, Plymouth Union, VT, September 10-11, 1977; Putney, VT, December 10; Goddard College, Plainfield, VT, March 4, 1977; Farm and Wilderness Camps, June 3-4. Meeting on Ministry and Counsel at 8:00 p.m., Saturday, Elizabeth Coleman, Clerk.

Bennington Monthly Mtg.	Monument Elementary School, W. Main, Bennington, VT (Mail to Box 221, Bennington 05201)	10:30		3rd Friday eve., homes of members, 7:30	Marion C. Smith, Clerk
Burlington Monthly Mtg.	Back of 179 N. Prospect St., Burlington, VT	11:00		1st Sunday, after Worship	Larry G. Abell, Clerk
Hanover Monthly Meeting	29 Rope Ferry Rd., Hanover, NH 03755	10:45		3rd Sun., 1:00, Sept.-June	Peter Bien, Clerk
Middlebury Monthly Mtg.	Shannon Street School, Middlebury, VT (not mailing address)	11:00		3rd Sunday	Helen & Milo Lathrop, Clerks

Monadnock Monthly Mtg.	Odd Fellows Hall, West Peterborough, NH	10:30	10:30 except 3rd	3rd Sunday, 11:15	Philip A. Towle, Clerk
Plainfield Monthly Mtg.	Home of Alan Walker, Plainfield, VT	10:30		3rd Sunday, after Worship	Mary Ellen W. Spencer, Clerk
Putney Monthly Meeting	The Grammar School, Hickory Ridge Rd., Putney, VT	10:30		3rd Sunday, after Worship	Heidi Watts, Clerk
S. Starksboro Monthly Mtg.	1 mile east of Bristol, Starksboro, VT	10:30 2nd & 4th Sunday, June-Oct.		Call of Clerk	William Birdsall, Clerk

RHODE ISLAND-SMITHFIELD QUARTERLY MEETING

William Penhallow, Clerk. Held on the third Saturday in October, April, and July. In October 1977 at Providence; April 1978 at Worcester; July 1978 at Westerly. Meeting for worship at 11:00 a.m., business meeting at 1:30. Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Counsel at call of Clerk, Katherine Stern.

North Dartmouth Monthly Mtg.	State Road, Rt. 6, N. Dartmouth, MA, between Old Westport Rd. & Tucker Road	11:00		1st Sunday, after Worship	Herbert H. Stevens, Jr., Clerk
Providence Monthly Mtg.	99 Morris Ave., Providence, RI	11:00	10:00	2nd Sunday, 6th, 7th months, 9:00, 2nd Sunday other months except Aug., 1:30	John R. Kellam, Clerk
Saylesville Worship Group	Great Road, Saylesville, RI	10:30			Ambrose W. Meyers, Corres.
Conanicut Worship Group	Jamestown, RI	10:30			
Smithfield Monthly Mtg.	126 Smithfield Rd., Woonsocket, RI	July-August 11:00 10:00 mid-June- mid-Sept.	10:00	Last Sunday, after Worship	Bessie Ewen, Clerk Michael Miladin, Pastor
Westerly Monthly Meeting	57 Elm St., Westerly, RI	11:00	10:45	Last Sunday, 12:00	Anne H. Rounds, Clerk Debra Warren, Corres.
Worcester Monthly Meeting	901 Pleasant St., Worcester, MA	10:30 June-Sept. 11:00		2nd Sunday, 1:00	Elizabeth L. Jones, Clerk

SALEM QUARTERLY MEETING

Meeting	Location	Sunday Worship	Sunday Study	Business Meeting	Clerk, Corres., Pastor
Acton Monthly Meeting	Elizabeth Muench, Convenor. Contact Convenor. Donlan Hall, Massachusetts Ave. at Spruce St., West Acton, MA	10:00	11:00	1st Sunday, 11:00	John Barlow, Clerk
Amesbury Monthly Meeting	Junction Friend & Greenleaf Sts., Amesbury, MA	10:00 July-August		Call of Clerk	Dorothy J. Averill, Clerk
Cambridge Monthly Mtg.	5 Longfellow Park, Cambridge, MA 02138	9:30 & 11:00 10:00 summer	9:30	2nd Thursday, 7:30	Larch F. Miller, Clerk Elmer H. Brown, Executive Secretary
Boston Mtg. for Worship	Beacon Hill Friends House, 6 Chestnut St., Boston, MA 02108	11:00	10:00		
Circuit Prep. Meeting	4 Circuit Rd., Chestnut Hill, MA 02167	6:00 P.M.		1st Sunday evening	
Framingham Prep. Mtg.	841 Edmands Rd., Framingham, MA	10:00		3rd Sunday, after Worship	Eve Carey, Clerk
Hingham Mtg. for Worship	New England Friends Home, 86 Turkey Hill Lane, Hingham, MA 02043	10:30			
Pembroke Mtg. for Worship	N. Pembroke, MA, Junction Rts. 139 & 53	Contact Corres.			Richard Archer, Corres.
Lawrence Monthly Mtg.	45 Avon St., Lawrence, MA	11:00 except July & August	10:00	1st Wed., 7:30	Ruth H. Mellor, Clerk
Lynn Monthly Meeting	72 Silsbee St., off Broad St., Lynn, MA	11:00		Call of Clerk	Richard S. Gove, Sr., Clerk
Wellesley Monthly Mtg.	26 Benvenue St., Wellesley, MA 02181	10:30	10:45	2nd Thursday, 7:45	Harold White, Clerk

SANDWICH QUARTERLY MEETING

Ruth L. Howland, Clerk. Held on the third Saturday in January, April, July, and October. In October 1977 at Dartmouth; January 1978 at Marion; April at Swansea; July at New Bedford. Worship and business after lunch. Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Counsel at 10:30 a.m. the same day, Doris Ashley and Michael Carter, Co-Clerks.

Allen's Neck Monthly Mtg.	Horseneck Road, Dartmouth, MA	9:45	11:00	4th Wed., 8:00	Wilfred Morrison, Clerk Michael Carter, Executive Secretary
Dartmouth Monthly Mtg. Apponegansett Mtg. for Worship	Smith Neck Road, South Dartmouth, MA Apponegansett, near Russells Mills	10:00 9:00 A.M. July & August Last Sunday, August, 3:00 9:30	9:00	1st Wed., 7:30	Julia C. Howland, Clerk Ralph Greene, Pastor Julia C. Howland, Corres.
Marion Monthly Meeting	Art Center, Marion, MA			1st Tuesday, 4:30	David Wood, Clerk
New Bedford Monthly Mtg.	Spring Street, New Bedford, MA			2nd Sunday in March, June, Sept., Dec., 2:30	Cynthia J. Power, Corres.
New Bedford Prep. Mtg. Long Plain Prep. Mtg. Mattapoisett Part. Mtg.	Spring Street, New Bedford, MA Main Street, Acushnet, MA Route 6, 8 miles east of New Bedford, MA	11:00 11:00		Call of Clerk 3rd Wed., April, July, Oct., 11:00	Caleb Smith, Clerk Sydney Adams, Pastor Cynthia J. Power, Clerk
Sandwich Monthly Meeting Sandwich Prep. Meeting Yarmouth Prep. Meeting West Falmouth Prep. Mtg.	East Sandwich, MA, off Rt. 6A N. Main St., South Yarmouth, MA West Falmouth, MA	11:00 1st Sunday in August 10:00 11:00	11:00	1st Sunday, even months Last Sunday, after John Hall, Clerk Worship Last Sunday	George A. Robinson, Pastor Harold R. Hutcheson, Clerk David Douglas, Corres.
Swansea Monthly Meeting	Prospect St., Somerset, MA, 1 mile north of Route 6	9:30	10:30	Call of Clerk	Dorothy F. Williamson, Clerk Ellsworth B. MacAfee, Pastor
Westport Monthly Meeting	Main Road, Central Village, Westport, MA	10:45	7:30 P.M.	2nd Sunday, after Worship	Stewart Kirkaldy, Clerk

VASSALBORO QUARTERLY MEETING

Douglas J. Hollingsworth, Clerk. Held on the first Saturday in February, May, and October; second Saturday in August; second Sunday in November. February at East Vassalboro, May at Winthrop Center, August at South China, October at Orono, November at North Fairfield. Worship at 11:00 a.m., business meeting at 1:00; November meeting at 2:00 p.m. Quarterly Meeting picnic, second Sunday in July at South Penobscot. Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Counsel at call of Clerk, David Davis.

Meeting	Location	Sunday Worship	Sunday Study	Business Meeting	Clerk, Corres., Pastor
China Monthly Meeting	Worship under care of Community Fellowship Church, South China, ME, off Route 202	10:00	11:15	Wed. after 2nd Thursday, 8:00	Marion E. Jones, Clerk David Van Strein, Pastor
Midcoast Monthly Mtg. Camden Worship Group	45 Union Street, Camden, ME	10:30		3rd Friday, homes of members, 7:30	Nancy Booth, Clerk Susan Terrell, Corres.
Damariscotta Worship Group	Skidompha Library, Main St., Damariscotta, ME	10:00			David L. Davis, Corres.
Orland Worship Group	Home of David Davis, River Rd., Orland, ME	10:00			
North Fairfield Monthly Mtg.	N. Fairfield, ME, Rt. 104, 2½ mi. north of Fairfield Center	10:30	11:30	3rd Sunday, 1:30	Carl Stevens, Clerk Lelia E. Taylor & Leona Stevens, Pastors Paul Cates, Contact
Oak Grove Monthly Mtg.	Oak Grove-Coburn School, Vassalboro, ME			2nd Sunday	Robert L. Coe, Clerk
Orono Monthly Meeting	Maine Christian Association, College Ave., Orono, ME	10:00		3rd Sunday, 11:00	Frank Edmondson, Clerk Paul Cates, Pastor
Vassalboro Monthly Mtg.	Upper Pleasant St., East Vassalboro, ME	10:00 9:00 summer	10:00	1st Sunday	David Farr, Clerk Richard Dyer, Pastor
Winthrop Monthly Meeting	Winthrop Center, ME, Rt. 135, 4 miles east of Winthrop	10:00	9:00		

Worship Groups

Acadia	29 Mt. Desert St., Bar Harbor, ME	6:30 7:00 July & August	David Wetherell, Corres.
Brooksville	Brooksville, ME, homes of members	11:00	Helen Lear & Tess Parrish, Corres.
Industry	Industry, ME, homes of members	7:00 Last Friday of month	Will Bonsall, Corres.
Whiting	Home of Harry & Audrey Snyder, Tamarack Farm, Rte. 189, Whiting ME	10:00	Audrey Snyder, Corres.

FRIENDS MEETINGS IN NEW ENGLAND BELONGING TO OTHER YEARLY MEETINGS

Meeting	Location	Sunday Worship	Clerk or Corres.
Housatonic Monthly Meeting (NY)	Rt. 7, New Milford, CT 06776	10:00	Clerk, Box 43, New Milford, CT 06776
Monkton Ridge Monthly Mtg. (NY)	Monkton Ridge, Vermont	9:45	Jessie Thomas, Clerk
Newport, RI (EFC-E)	70 Bliss Mine Rd., Middletown, RI	11:00	Ernest Briggs, Clerk
Portsmouth, RI (EFC-E)	Middle Road at Hedley Street	11:00	Ruth Lowery, Clerk
Stamford-Greenwich Monthly Mtg. (NY)	572 Roxbury Rd. at Westover Rd., near Den Rd. Exit of Merrit Pkwy., Stamford, CT	10:00	Rosa Packard, Clerk
Wilton Monthly Meeting (NY)	317 New Canaan Road, Wilton CT	10:00	Marjorie Walton, Clerk

OTHER FRIENDS MEETINGS FOR WORSHIP IN NEW ENGLAND

Location	Hour of Worship	Contact Person
Adams, MA, Maple & Friend Sts.	First Sunday in September, 3:00	Mrs. William Bellman
Casco, Maine, Quaker Ridge	Each Sunday, July-August, 10:30	Betsy Maxfield Miller
Lewiston, ME, Jewish Community Center, 134 College Ave.	Each Sunday, 6:30, school year	Cecelia Treworgy
Little Compton, RI, West Main Road	Fourth Sunday in August, 3:00	Carlton Brownell
Nantucket, MA	June 15-September 15, Meeting House on Fair St., 10:45; Sept. 15-June 15, Library of Maria Mitchell Library Association on Vestal St., 10:30	George A. Selleck
Newport, RI, Cor. Farewell & Marlborough Streets	First and third Sundays, 10:00 in summer; 11:00 in winter	Esther Fisher Benson
South Uxbridge, MA, Rt. 146	No Worship set; Open Saturday & Sunday, 2-4 p.m., May-September	Virginia Wheelock
Unity, NH, Quaker City, 7 miles south of Claremont	First Sunday in August, 11:00	Henry T. Osborne

OFFICERS

Presiding Clerk	CALEB A. SMITH
Recording Clerk	BARBARA HADDAD
Reading Clerk	THOMAS HANCOCK
Reading Clerk	MARGARET ANGELL
Treasurer	ROBERT M. BRILL
Field Secretary	LOUIS J. MARSTALLER
Young Friends & China Camp Coordinator	MICHAEL CARTER
Office Secretary	CLARABEL MARSTALLER

Permanent Board

Clerk: GREGORY HARRISON

Recording Clerk: VIRGINIA TOWNSEND

For One Year		
Ralph Austin	Harold Hoge	Andrew R. Towl
Allan Eister	R. Louise McManus	Alan M. Walker
Barbara Haddad	Daisy Newman	Beatrice Wehmeyer
For Two Years		
John Barlow	Theodore Donovan	Elizabeth H. Muench
Elizabeth Cazden	Molly Duplisea	Wesley C. Panunzio
Chouteau Chapin	Frances T. Gove	Lloyd Lee Wilson
	Marion Jessel	
For Three Years		
Cushman Anthony	Darcy Drayton	Wayne Jones
Marjorie Baechler	Alex Haddad	Howard Reed
Robert Caton	Thomas Hancock	Philip Woodbridge
	Gregory Harrison	
For Four Years		
Donald Baker	Dorothy Meshenuk	Virginia Townsend
Ralph E. Cook	Robert Nichols	Ernest H. Weed
Ruth H. Mellor	Thoreau Raymond	Margaret Wentworth
	Jeannette Smith	
For Five Years		
Jane Burgess	Bruce Hawkins	Tess Parrish
Edna Cates	Gregg Hibbs	Thomas Perry, Jr.
Richard Dyer	Christel Holzer	Ruth Woodbridge

Ex officio: The Clerk, Field Secretary, Treasurer, Clerk of Executive Council, of Finance Committee, Retiring Clerk

Executive Council

Clerk: MARGARET CATES

Recording Clerk: AMNA STABLER

For One Year		
Susan Chambers	For Two Years	For Three Years
Misha Meshenuk	Helen Brill	Douglas Cox
Amna Stabler	Peter Broad	David Douglas
Robert Wehmeyer	Margaret Cates	Elizabeth Jones
	Janet Hoffman	Hobart Mitchell

Clerk of the Yearly Meeting, of the Permanent Board, Treasurer, Retiring Clerk, Field Secretary, Young Friends Coordinator, Young Friends Clerk, Clerks of all Yearly Meeting Committees, Executive Secretary of AFSC NERO, President of NEYM USFW

Committee on Aging

Clerk: VIRGINIA TOWLE

For One Year
Margaret Angell
William Foster
Myrtle Johnson
Betty Woodbury

For Two Years
Samuel Burgess
Doris Halla
Thoreau Raymond
Virginia Towle

For Three Years
David Douglas
Irven Roberts
Beatrice Wehmeyer
Alice Wiser

Archives and Historical Records Committee

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Clerk: RUTH BURGESS

Curator: THYRA JANE FOSTER

For One Year
Ruth Burgess
Robert N. Cool
Rebecca B. Monego
Daisy Newman

For Two Years
Helen T. Gifford
Maria Grossmann
George Selleck
Renny Stackpole

For Three Years
Ralph Cook
Thomas Hancock
Francis W. Holmes
Thomas Perry, Jr.

Auditors of the Permanent Funds

For One Year
John Kellam

For Two Years
Peter Shaw

For Three Years

China Camp Committee

Clerk: ROBERT H. HUMPHREY

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Camp Coordinator: MICHAEL CARTER

For One Year
Doris Ashley
Theodore Donovan
Nancy Greenwood
Marian Hartman
George Keller
Lynn Tritton

For Two Years
Ralph Austin
Michael Carter
Richard Dyer
Thomas Ewell
Robert Wehmeyer
Joseph Zegarra

For Three Years
Eric Duplisea
Robert H. Humphrey
David Marstaller
Larch Miller
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Harold A. White

Ex officio: China Camp Coordinator, Camp Treasurer

Christian Education Committee

Clerk: JANET HOFFMAN

For One Year
Phyllis Agard
Ann Barclay
Charles Browne
Michael Carter
Margaret Douglas
Virginia Meuse
Elaine Stevens

For Two Years
Eileen Babcock
Richard Dyer
Janet Hoffman
Shirley Leslie
Roberta Nichols
Ralph Walton
Joseph Zegarra

For Three Years
Elizabeth Bullerwell
Mary J. Farr
Hans-Dieter Gomes
Robert Hillegass
Mavis Protami
Constance St. John
Patricia Watson

Correspondence Committee

Clerk: LOUISA ALGER

For One Year
Thomas Hancock
Marion Jessell

For Two Years
Louisa Alger
Hobart Mitchell
Elizabeth Muench

For Three Years
Elizabeth Ballard
Miriam E. Brown
Ruth Woodbridge

Equalization Fund Committee

Clerk:

For One Year
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Thoreau Raymond
Ruth Smith

For Two Years
Henry Baechler
Norman Constantineau
Bernice Douglas

For Three Years
Molly Duplisea
Margaret Hutcheson
Elizabeth Muench

Faith and Practice Review Committee

Clerk: RUTH F. WOODBRIDGE

For One Year
Thomas Hancock
Clarabel Marsteller

For Two Years
W. Wistar Comfort, Jr.
Ruth Woodbridge

For Three Years
Elmer H. Brown
Katherine K. Stern

Finance Committee

Clerk: FINLEY H. PERRY

Recording Clerk: KENNETH STROBEL

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Appointed At Large:

For One Year
David W. Douglas
Wesley C. Panunzio

For Two Years
Finley H. Perry
Virginia Towsend

For Three Years
Robert Archer
Thomas Hancock

Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting

Friends Educational Needs

Clerk: ROSALIND COBB

Elizabeth Boardman, Peter Broad, Rosalind Cobb, Susan Devokaitis, Marjorie Hancock, Thoreau Raymond, Mary Reed, Virginia Towle, Hildegard Von Laue, Patricia Watson, Jeanne Whitaker, Elizabeth Yeats

Friends General Conference Committee

Clerk: MARJORIE BAECHLER

For Three Years
Marjorie Baechler
Elizabeth Ballard
Miriam E. Brown
Jane C. Burgess
Lawrence Kennison
T. Noel Stern

For Six Years
Peter Broad
W. Wistar Comfort
Elizabeth Hathaway
Jane Jessup-Gifford
Mary Mangelsdorf

The Clerk of the Yearly Meeting and of the Permanent Board

Friends United Meeting Committee (New England Yearly Meeting appointees to FUM Commissions, General Board, and Triennial Sessions)

Clerk: LOIS E. BROWN

	1975-1978	July 1978-1981
General Services Commission:	David W. Douglas	David W. Douglas
Meeting Ministries Commission:	Elmer H. Brown	Michael Carter
	Andrew Grannell	Susan Furry
	Dorothy Grannell	Andrew Grannell
	Jeannette Smith	

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General Board:	Elmer H. Brown Clarabel Marstaller	Andrew Grannell Virginia Towle

Representatives to Friends United Meeting:

July 5-12, 1975:	June 30-July 5, 1978:	Alternates:
Elmer H. Brown	Michael Carter	Paul Hood
Lois E. Brown	David Douglas	Alison Sander
Margaret Cates	Margaret Douglas	Eunice Strobel
David Douglas	Susan Furry	
Andrew Grannell	Andrew Grannell	
Marion M. Jessell	Hermann Patt	
Paul Mangelsdorf	Richard S. Pieters	
Clarabel Marstaller	Caleb A. Smith	
Caleb A. Smith	Virginia Towle	

Board of Managers of Investments and Permanent Funds

Clerk: ANDREW TOWL

Treasurer: WILLIAM JOSE

For One Year:	Frederic G. Corneel	Robert Hindmarsh
For Two Years:	Proctor Houghton	Andrew Towl
For Three Years:	Caleb A. Smith	Marjorie Swann
For Four Years:	George Lear	Francis Wheeler
For Five Years:	William Jose	John S. Rounds

Ex officio: Treasurer of Yearly Meeting, Robert M. Brill
 Clerk of Finance Committee, Finley H. Perry

Ministry and Counsel Committee

Clerk: JEAN KENNISON

Recording Clerk: ELIZABETH MUENCH

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Appointed At Large:

For One Year	For Two Years	For Three Years
Jean Kennison	Elizabeth Muench	Doris Ashley
Ernest H. Weed	Virginia R. Towle	Jane Jessup-Gifford

Minute 74 Committee

Clerk: PETER BROAD

For One Year	For Two Years	For Three Years
Peter Broad	Thomas Luce	Eleanor Bailey
Rosalind Cobb	Talmadge Neece	Bruce Downing
Stephen Curwood	Charles Nichols	Hildegard Von Laue
Nancy Marstaller	Karin Pearce	Francis Wheeler
John Urey	Kenneth Strobel, Jr.	Dwight L. Wilson

Friends Coordinator of Moses Brown School Overseers
Headmaster of Moses Brown School

Moses Brown School Board of Overseers

Chairman: ROBERT A. MARSELLO

Friends Coordinator: KATHERINE PERRY

For One Year

Edith Churchill
*Alan Flink
*Bradford Gorham
*Robert Kinder
Katherine Perry
*Ira Rakantansky
Irven Roberts
John Roberts
Clay Steinberger
*Alan Symonds
*Kay Thurber

For Two Years

Cynthia G. Collins
*Joseph Dowling
Samir A. Haddad
*Isabel Hall
*Anne Harris
Gregory Harrison
Marian Hartman
*Donald Hysko
Robert McGarrah
*Harris Rosen
*Cynthia Triedman
Rosly Walter

For Three Years

*Andrew H. Davis, Jr.
Ann deNevers
Rudman J. Ham
Helen Hole
*Robert A. Marsello
*C. William Myers
John N. Plank
*Frederick L. Pratt
Dennick M. W. Skeels
*Alfred Toselli

* Non-Friend Overseer

Mosher Book and Tract Committee

Clerk: MARION JESSELL

For One Year

Hazel Foster
Marion Jessell
Mary Myers

For Two Years

Elizabeth Ballard
Martha Gordon
Ruth Graham

For Three Years

Francis Holmes
Frances Howland
Adelaide Nichols

New England Friends Home Committee

Clerk: DINAH STARR

Treasurer: ELEANOR GOULD

For One Year

Elizabeth Archer
Richard Archer
Donald Fowke
Eleanor Gould

For Two Years

John Hallowell
Eloise Houghton
Henry Stokes
Edith B. Walker

For Three Years

Grace P. Bliss
Charles Hammond
Dinah Starr

Nominating Committee (Appointed by Monthly or Quarterly Meetings)

Clerk: MARGARET WENTWORTH

Margaret Angell, Henry J. Baechler, Elizabeth Ballard, Elizabeth Boardman, Tracy Booth, Miriam J. Brown, Jane Burgess, Elizabeth Colman, Emily Connelly, Ruth Crutchley, Bruce Downing, Molly Duplisea, Marcia Glynn, Frances T. Gove, John Hall, Pamela Humphrey, Robert Humphrey, Myrtle Johnson, Lawrence Kennison, Ruth H. Mellor, Howard Reed, Barbara Rutledge, Elaine Stevens, Eunice Strobel, Florence Taylor, William Watson, Margaret Wentworth, Alice Wiser, Ruth Woodbridge

Peace and Social Concerns

Clerk: ALISON OLDHAM

For One Year

Chouteau Chapin
Erin Dowling
Eric Duplisea
Friedericka Erlenmeyer
Arthur J. Fink
Shirley Hill
Patricia Smith
T. Noel Stern
Mary Sullivan
Miriam Zahradnik

For Two Years

Elisabeth Ambellan
Frances Crowe
Ann deNevers
Susan Devokaitis
Emily Donovan
Helen Lear
Janet Noyes
Howard Segars
Theodore Von Laue
Barbara Woodbury

For Three Years

Robert Agard
Elizabeth Boardman
Yolanda Broad
Edward Doherty
Allyn Eccleston
Susan Furry
Robert Nichols
Alison Oldham

Committee on Prejudice and Poverty

Clerk: TRACY BOOTH

For One Year	For Two Years	For Three Years
Ruth Crutchley	Tracy Booth	Barbara Brooks
Nathaniel Hathaway III	Benjamin Cates	Elizabeth Cazden
Myrtle Johnson	Margaret Dowling	Peter Crysdale
Jean Kennison	Arthur Fink	Ralph Greene
Kenneth Strobel	Marion Jessell	Christel Holzer
Mary Whitehead	Margaret Klinteberg	Wesley C. Panunzio

Right Sharing of World Resources

Clerk: JEAN MITCHELL

For One Year	For Two Years	For Three Years
Cushman Anthony	Thelma Babbitt	Jean Mitchell
Frances Crowe	Donnell Boardman	Barbara Mohr
Richard Reid	Christel Holzer	Tess Parrish
Margaret Wentworth	Richard S. Pieters, Jr.	William Watson

Student Loan and Scholarship Committee

Clerk: MILDRED ROBERTS

For One Year	For Two Years	For Three Years
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The Permanent Board will meet on February 18, 1978, at Wellesley, Massachusetts.

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Monday, August 7

1. New England Yearly Meeting of Friends, gathered in annual session for its 318th year at Wheaton College, Norton, Mass.

2. We worshipped together under the care of the Yearly Meeting Ministry and Counsel Committee. An "ocean of light and love flowing through us" and the inspiration of leadership in the past should make us lively as a Society to contribute to the larger society. Our very wet day of gathering reminds us that life is full of "openings" - moments when light comes through the cloud cover of our difficulties giving hope and insight and that, as grounding raindrops join together with gathering strength, so may we.

3. Visitors were welcomed: Robert Leach, under a traveling minute from Geneva Monthly Meeting; Jan Harmon from Friends Committee on National Legislation; Helen Ridgway from Moorestown Monthly Meeting, Philadelphia Yearly Meeting; Robert and Patricia Lyon, Indiana Yearly Meeting; Edwin and Dorothy Hinshaw, William Penn College, Iowa Yearly Meeting; David Burnham, headmaster of Moses Brown School, and his wife Anne Burnham, a teacher at Lincoln School; Harold Smuck, Indiana Yearly Meeting, representing Friends United Meeting; Mary Esther McWhirter, representing Friends World Committee for Consultation, Section of the Americas; T. Canby Jones, Wilmington College, Wilmington Yearly Meeting; Neil Allen, Resident Friend at the Friends Meeting at Cambridge, his wife Cynthia and sons Seth and Greg.

4. Alice Wiser, co-ordinator with Marty Rotblatt of Junior Yearly Meeting, introduced the staff: Kindergarten—Frances Langworthy, Walter Limehouse; Grades 1-3—Steven Schultz, Dieter Gomes; Grades 4-6—Joy Nelson, Katie Taylor; Grades 7-9—Paul Mangelsdorf.

5. Michael Carter, Young Friends Coordinator introduced the staff: Richard Dyer, Beth Dyer, Alex Marceline, Mary Sullivan, Mimsy O'Neil, Greg Williams.

6. Roll Call of Representatives: ACADIA: David Wetherell; ACTON: Sibylle Barlow, John Barlow, Joanne Hemenway, Elizabeth Muench; ALLEN'S NECK: Michael D. Carter; AMESBURY: Dorothy J. Averill; BENNINGTON: Thoreau Raymond; BURLINGTON: Larry Abell, Karen Towle; CAMBRIDGE: Brian Drayton, Susan Furry, Virginia Townsend, Mary Gilbert; CHINA: Miriam E. Brown; CONCORD: Adelaide Nichols, Roberta Nichols; DARTMOUTH: Martha Elsaesser; DOVER: Amna Stabler, Mary Whitehead; DURHAM:

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7. The Clerk read greetings from London Yearly Meeting for Sufferings, letters from the Associated Committee on Indian Affairs, from the International Relations Committee of Japan Yearly Meeting, from Louis Schneider of the American Friends Service Committee, from William Barton of the Friends World Committee for Consultation, and has noted a report from a meeting of Friends from Conservative Meetings.

8. The Clerk informed us of the death of Lydia Caroline Cadbury, in Medford Leas, New Jersey, earlier this day.

9. George Selleck gave the keynote message on **The Roots of Quaker Belief and Action in New England**.

From its early New England beginnings Quakerism was plagued by association in the public eye with Ranterism — a movement which accepted completely individual expression of one's own leadings and defined them as leadings of God. Today, in some business meetings we are still occasionally troubled with ranters — those who mistake egotistical leadings for the leadings of God.

Although Friends have no set code of tenets or strict rules, early Friends and Friends today have set standards of behavior and expect some conformity from members — for “better regulating Friends.” Our queries embody these standards. High goals in education led to the founding of schools which helped to protect and insulate Friends from assaults on these standards. We still need to maintain our own standards, being careful to seek divine guidance in the process.

From earliest times Quakerism has been based on the Christian idea of God revealed through Jesus' life, to be worked at within each of us. Unlike some Christian sects, we have no specific ideals to live up to — **the Ideal** is our goal, to be sought always.

Tuesday, August 8

10. An epistle from Australia Yearly Meeting was read, emphasizing our nurturing of and rejoicing in the life of the Spirit.

11. Jean Kennison presented the report of the Ministry and Counsel Committee, and the report on the State of Society. We note with satisfaction that Vassalboro Quarterly Meeting has welcomed Cobscook and Acadia as new Monthly Meetings, that Worcester and Pleasant Street Meetings have merged, and that the Wilderness Worship group has progressed through Preparative to a Monthly Meeting of Northwest Quarterly Meeting.

COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY AND COUNSEL

A conference on the Nature and Nurture of Ministry enabled us to deepen our understanding of the various forms of ministry and to look at the question of recording ministers. Subsequently the following Minute was received and approved by the Ministry and Counsel Committee:

"Wellesley Monthly Meeting has chosen not to adopt the practice of recording Friends as Ministers, although we recognize that this has been of benefit to some other Meetings. We recommend to Yearly Meeting the recognition of freedom for each Meeting to continue the practice best suited to its needs.

"Some Friends wish to engage in professional or semi-professional work in hospitals, prisons, or other such situations requiring some religious endorsement in addition to specific certification. Rather than record such a Friend as a minister for this purpose, we suggest that an Endorsement for Service be provided by the Monthly Meeting, on request, with further endorsement from the Quarterly and Yearly Meetings, if necessary. Such endorsements, called 'Minutes for Service,' have been used in the past to introduce Friends 'traveling in the ministry' to other groups of Friends; we see an appropriate extension of this practice for the purpose of service to others. An Endorsement for Service would provide the necessary recommendation without signifying special gifts of ministry in Friends' sense of the word."

There was a week-end conference on Spiritual Healing which was a moving experience for both attenders and facilitators. Again this summer we will arrange for visiting Friends to share in worship at the Amesbury Meeting; for ten days last summer a Friend lived in that community helping with publicity and outreach. A sub-committee has prepared a third draft of the working papers on aspects of Family Life which contain queries and advices for Friends Meetings and individuals. The preparation of these papers has been encouraged by the Ministry and Counsel Committee and this draft has been accepted as a working tool in Friends' search for clarity and Light as we face changing social mores; it does not represent our final or our corporate testimony. We held an open meeting to explore our attitudes toward homosexuality; different beliefs and attitudes were expressed and from the exchange some new understanding of each other resulted.

We are aware that we have not, as a full committee, given the priority to Advancement/Outreach that Yearly Meeting asked in 1976. However, two concerned Friends have worked diligently as consultants to the Committee. They have assembled information from other Yearly Meetings about their Outreach programs, and resource material for use; they have prepared a check list on Advancement-Outreach-Inreach which has been sent to all Meetings; it complements the 1976 questionnaire and covers a wide range of topics. We expect the summary of the replies will be reported at Yearly Meeting, and form the basis of an ongoing Advancement program.

STATE OF SOCIETY NEW ENGLAND YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS

There is a strong sense in New England Yearly Meeting that the Meeting for Worship is central in the life of the Meeting, the well-spring that gives meaning to other relationships and activities. Both vocal ministry and silence are vital aspects of the gathered meeting. A gathered meeting requires being fully open to the Spirit. Yet several meetings report lowered attendance; "Physical distances make it difficult to foster a sense of community." Toward strengthening this sense of community and the Spirit within the gathered meeting, prayer and worship sharing groups, music, family retreat weekends, discussions and Bible study help. Some of the books used are **Fruit of the Vine, Catholic Quakerism, Our Many Selves, Toward a New Society, I Take Thee, Serenity.** Meetings also express great appreciation for their pastors who aid and guide them.

Meetings are strengthened by their ability to provide support and caring for each other. One meeting "wants the Meeting to provide not only support for individuals who confront their concerns of conscience, but an atmosphere where each can find a channel of sharing intimate personal problems as well." Another meeting, where in recent years, "Our monthly Meeting for Business has been troubled by painful expressions of disunity and an overcrowded agenda, finds that, "starting with a half hour's silent worship . . . and disciplining ourselves to use the silence between speakers . . . makes things better." In response to "needs of people facing turning points or crises in their lives," one meeting is suggesting ways of setting up advisory or support groups, particularly in the context of a meeting for worship, for members in need and is preparing a list of people available to help in special areas.

Religious Education as the responsibility of the entire meeting is an expressed goal. Several reports mention "teaching from the Bible," and others also include the concern that what is being taught should "speak sufficiently to the core of our Quaker heritage." In a meeting that "belongs to all from the two year old to the elder of eighty-five," the older children choose to remain for the full period of worship once a month. But another report notes "Our older children do not identify with young Friends." Some young people find that their identity as Friends is fostered by attending Yearly Meeting and China Camp.

Some representative excerpts from the Meeting reports suggest the activity within the Yearly Meeting:

- "As individuals we are active in our communities, involved in teaching, working with Senior Citizens, alcoholism, going to school, providing various aspects of medical care, crafting, having babies, working with Native American concerns . . ."
- "We have a concern for Outreach."
- "The meeting united in setting up a special fund for the deposits of monies of Friends, who, because of conscience, are unwilling to pay the portion of their income tax that the United States government would use for war."
- "As a meeting we are part of the alternative to military careers for Career Day at the regional high school, after we sponsored a vigil against a full day devoted to pro-military demonstrations conducted by soldiers from Fort Devens."
- "We believe that the Book of Faith and Practice should offer a more modern approach to problems of sexuality including homosexuality."
- "Our concerns remain the same — strengthening the family, violence in the media, simplicity, peace, human relationships, knowledge of the Scriptures."
- "Some of us, concerned about the disproportionate use by Americans of world resources, have tried to simplify our living and have made modest but thoughtful changes in food, clothing, and energy consumption."
- "As Friends we continue to minister to the needs of others."

What is spiritual growth? If we mean close communion with each other, more sharing of problems, more trust, more sensitivity to the Light within, then we sense a moving in that direction.

12. Sandwich Quarterly Meeting presented a concern that the alternatives to military service are not widely known among young people and urges they be brought to their attention. There is a need to create opportunities for service to people as alternatives

even though there seems not to be so much interest as existed when the military draft was in force. We are reminded that whatever we do, all our activities should reflect the thrust for peace and against war. We unite in the concern from Sandwich and ask Christian Education, Ministry and Counsel, Young Friends and Peace and Social Concerns Committees to bear in mind this concern during the coming year, seeking ways to implement it. We commend this concern to the attention of the American Friends Service Committee.

13. Ruth Woodbridge presented the report of the Faith and Practice Review Committee. The meeting discussed at length the need of a revision and, while not laying a firm directive on the Committee, has suggested that little revision is needed for Part I, and that time be devoted to Part II. We wish to defer until later in the revision process a decision on whether to reprint our Part I, perhaps slightly revised, or to use Part I of London Yearly Meeting's **Faith and Practice**.

FAITH AND PRACTICE REVIEW COMMITTEE

The Yearly Meeting Nominating Committee will present for Yearly Meeting approval several additional names to enlarge the Faith and Practice Review Committee. This new group will begin the work of considering suggestions which have been received and recorded by the smaller committee and work toward the next edition of our **Faith and Practice**.

As the present supply of **Faith and Practice** of New England Yearly Meeting of Friends (1966) is low, we ask the Yearly Meeting to come to a decision regarding the next edition. We ask each Monthly Meeting to consider these alternatives during this year: 1) that New England Yearly Meeting of Friends substitute London Yearly Meeting's **Christian faith and practice** in the experience of the **Society of Friends for Part I, Faith and Life** (pages 3-206) of New England Yearly Meeting's **Faith and Practice**, and that New England Yearly Meeting review and revise **Part II. Practice and Procedure** (pages 209-257), Incorporating updated Chapter II (Historical Statement) and Queries; or, 2) review and revise the current **Faith and Practice** of New England Yearly Meeting of Friends (1966). Each Monthly Meeting should inform the Clerk of Faith and Practice Review Committee of its comments on and choice of these alternatives so that the Committee can bring a recommendation to the 1979 Yearly Meeting session.

14. Margaret Angell spoke to the report of the Committee on Aging.

COMMITTEE ON AGING

Aging is a process of development in which we all participate, without choice. The quality of that process has been the primary focus of the Committee on Aging during this past year. Two weekend gatherings were held — the first at Westport and Dartmouth at Smith Neck, Massachusetts, and the second at Mt. Toby Meetinghouse in Leverett, Massachusetts. One emphasized the aspects of aloneness, the quality of the spiritual life, and the dependency upon community resources including our own meetings. The other was addressed to adequate nutritional and physical care with particular emphasis on regular exercises, moderation in eating, and cleanliness. We are mindful of persons over 60 continuing to refer to the elderly as 'they' rather than 'I' and of Monthly Meetings that feel the secular world is providing sufficient opportunity for discussions and services.

The Committee feels that many unmet needs can only be responded to through personal contacts. To some extent this response can and should come from Monthly Meetings, but we recognize that often the 'outsider' can be more effective. Our Committee hopes that the Yearly Meeting will give serious thought to this need through its own personnel considerations for the future.

15. Elizabeth Ballard, for the Correspondence Committee, read excerpts from the West German and East German Yearly Meetings' epistles. From West Germany we have a plea for turning away from fanatical violence and from emphasis on the "I"; from East Germany a prayer for the coming United Nations sessions on disarmament.

16. Katherine Perry, Friends Coordinator for Moses Brown School presented her report. At a most fruitful open meeting of the Overseers of Moses Brown School held this afternoon a discussion was led by Adelbert Mason on the role of Friends Overseers. Katherine Perry spoke with appreciation of the fine services, as Acting Headmaster, of Richard Gaines during this past year, and for the work and support of the chairman of the Overseers, Robert Marsello. She introduced David Burnham, the new Headmaster, who spoke of his vision for Moses Brown School - the challenge, the responsibility to the Yearly Meeting, hopes for the boarding department, and for increased emphasis on the Meeting for Worship. The Meeting expresses enthusiasm for the Search Committee's choice and encourages David Burnham as he takes up his new post.

FRIENDS COORDINATOR FOR MOSES BROWN SCHOOL OVERSEERS

The School became the final beneficiary of a sizable trust fund. Walter R. Jones of Hartford, Connecticut, graduated from Moses Brown in 1901 and when he died, he left his estate in trust for Moses Brown School. Ethel Jones was the last surviving relative who was provided for by the trust. When she died last summer, the principal of the trust, amounting to approximately \$740,000, came to Moses Brown School.

For some years the School has been carrying a debt on the Field House which was completed in 1965. The receipt of this money enabled the School to pay off this large debt. The overseers are extremely grateful to Walter Jones for his generosity to the School. After paying the debt, over \$300,000 was left. This money has been invested in certificates of deposit and the interest will go to complete the payments on the new library.

Part of our program for the recent Capital Funds Campaign was to convert the Hawes Gymnasium into a new library. Rising costs and slow payment on pledges delayed this project somewhat but work on the exterior of the building was started 15 months ago. The Jones money enabled us to go ahead. The library has been completed now and is truly a wonderful facility. More space for books and study has been an acute need at the School.

Last summer a Search Committee was appointed to look for a new headmaster. That committee was mindful of the Yearly Meeting's desire and hope that the new head would be a member of the Society of Friends. Adelbert Mason, secretary of the Friends' Council on Education, attended the first meeting and was consulted several times at later dates. The committee met with the various constituencies of the School — faculty, parents, alumni, students, Friends — to discuss the goals and direction of the School. The Board of Overseers felt that these meetings helped create a better sense of community within the School.

The Search Committee set guidelines of qualifications wanted in the new administrator. All the Quaker schools and colleges in the country were contacted asking for suggestions of candidates. We also wrote about 30 other schools asking for input. These letters and other suggestions that came from friends of the School and members of the Yearly Meeting produced a file of about 150 names. Letters went to each of these candidates asking if they were interested and inviting them to submit a resume. We were disappointed that the number of Quaker candidates was small. Some were not interested and others did not have the required experience in administration. We had preliminary interviews with nine candidates and invited three of these back for a second interview and to meet more members of the School community.

The Board of Overseers has appointed David Burnham as our new headmaster. David taught English and Religion at Mt. Hermon School and also did counseling there. When Mt. Hermon and Northfield merged, he became Director of Counseling for the combined school. In 1973 he went to Loomis-Chaffee School as Associate Headmaster. He is a member of the Congregational Church but our discussions with him showed us that his philosophy is much in keeping with Friends. He has a great interest in the spiritual development of the student as well as the academic. During the spring term David has been able to visit Moses Brown frequently. The School community is looking forward to many years of distinguished leadership from David Burnham.

17. Rosalind Cobb presented the report for the Committee on Friends Educational Needs. For lack of overall response, the Committee has stopped publishing **Fenpack** and the follow-up questionnaire. It expects to develop an Education Testimony akin to the Peace Testimony and to continue to facilitate contact and exchange between Quaker educators in New England.

FRIENDS EDUCATIONAL NEEDS COMMITTEE

The Committee has defined some questions which it wishes Friends to consider.

We are mindful that increasingly the nation's schools have by default assumed the guiding role previously borne by home and Church. Is the Meeting concerned with the school in its area? Does it pay attention to curriculum, intellectual freedom, quality of teaching and protection of schools and students from undue political pressure?

As citizens do we work to ensure that the nation use a just portion of its resources to educate and protect its children?

Are we aware of the heavy burden inner-city schools must bear in the present society? Do we encourage more affluent communities to take their fair share of that burden? Does the Meeting give support to those who are teachers, administrators and community workers? Does the Meeting support the schools in seeking ways to make them places where curiosity thrives and risk-takers are affirmed... where diversity is respected and inner control is prized? Do Meetings encourage their schools to forward non-violence as a means of resolving conflict? To listen to others and to the Voice within? Are we aware of the loneliness of this search?

In maintaining Friends Schools are we careful that these schools take a suitable place in their neighborhoods and community so as to strengthen education for all children?

18. Marion Jessell, our member on the Woolman Hill Board, reported that currently there is no active group at Woolman Hill. Two possibilities are under consideration.

19. Marion Jessell reported for the Mosher Book and Tract Committee that no book purchases have been made for this year.

20. Tracy Booth presented the report of the Committee on Prejudice and Poverty.

COMMITTEE ON PREJUDICE AND POVERTY

Through the generosity of Friends of New England Yearly Meeting the Committee on Prejudice and Poverty has endeavored this year to fund groups and individuals and projects where "seed money" could grow into benefits for many.

We are presented with many proposals both simple and sophisticated, all having merit. We are often aware that the Light we seek for guidance is obscured by our own motivations. Thus through a process of inquiry, discussion, reflection and recommendation we have funded the following:

North Country Peoples Alliance (Emergency Food Shelves in Northern N.H.)	\$ 1,500.
Community Health Center (Low Cost Health Care, Burlington, VT)	1,020.
Dorchester Gardenlands, (Community Garden Project, Boston)	250.

Womens Center, Concord, N.H. (To Publish a Pamphlet on Rights of Employees)	970.
Hartford Interval House, CT (To Furnish a Shelter for Women & Children from Violent Homes)	500.
Oreithya School, Monkton, VT (Construction of School for Children from Violent Homes)	1,000.
Services to Offenders Project (Directors Salary for STOP, Hyannis, MA)	1,000.

We acknowledge the continued support of Friends who believe in this witness for love.

21. Hobart Mitchell presented the report of the representatives to the Friends World Committee for Consultation, American section.

FRIENDS WORLD COMMITTEE FOR CONSULTATION REPRESENTATIVES

Members of the Committee were active in attending the quarterly meetings, and two were able to go to the annual meeting in Minneapolis.

During the midweek following New England Yearly Meeting, a regional meeting of the Canadian Atlantic Provinces Friends and New England Friends took place at China Lake. Though the attendance was slim from both sides of the border, the meeting proved highly rewarding, and a second meeting was suggested for 1978. Tess Parrish, a New England Friend who attended the 1977 meeting at China Lake, went to the Fall Gathering of the Atlantic Friends in Halifax in October.

The proposed second across-the-border meeting was arranged during the winter by Keith Helmuth of Debec, Canada, and Hobart Mitchell to take place September 15-17, 1978. The Canadians preferred to meet again at China Lake. It was decided that the 1978 meeting would be open to any twenty Friends from New England and twenty from the Atlantic Provinces who wished to attend, forty being the maximum number the China Lake camp could accommodate. Also, as in 1977, it was agreed that the agenda would be created at the meeting from the concerns of the attenders and that the meeting would use those attending who were knowledgeable about a topic under discussion for its resource people.

In mid-May 1978 Hobart and Jean Mitchell attended the Spring Gathering of the Atlantic Province Friends in Halifax, Nova Scotia.

22. Thomas Hancock, for the Correspondence Committee, read the Epistle from London Yearly Meeting.

23. Peter Broad presented the report of the Minute 74 Committee. The Committee has asked that funds provided to the schools by the Committee to help meet the needs of disadvantaged and minority students be available for recruiting and support activities as well as for scholarships. We approved this request and noted that this action confirms the original charge found in Minute 12 of 1967.

MINUTE 74 COMMITTEE

Through the efforts of individuals and Monthly Meetings, we continue to be able to encourage the Friends Schools in New England to provide scholarship support to disadvantaged members of minority groups. We have become increasingly aware, however, that scholarship support is not enough. Bringing in a few minority students with financial aid does not, by itself, make a school responsive to the needs of the minority communities. Neither does it insure that a school will provide an atmosphere in which all members of its community are seen as having something to gain from each other.

This awareness has led us to seek new ways to help our schools meet the needs of the minority communities they serve and to make them an integral part of their total community. During the winter we held a special meeting of the

committee to which the schools sent representatives. Four very concrete and promising results came out of this meeting.

First, the representatives of the schools had a unique opportunity to share experiences and ideas on the topic of minority students.

Second, plans for a workshop to be held at this Yearly Meeting, to provide opportunity for members of the Yearly Meeting to come together with people from the schools, the minority communities, and others to develop both a better awareness of the problem and plans for dealing with it in the future.

Third, a proposal to hold a series of workshops bringing together students, teachers, and administrators from the New England Friends schools. We have asked for a small increase in our budget to help defray the expenses of these workshops.

Finally, it was decided that we should ask the Yearly Meeting to amend our charge in order to permit the schools to use some of the funds we provide them for recruiting and support activities. This would increase the potential impact of the money Friends donate through Minute 74 on the ability of the schools to respond to the needs of minorities.

The Minute 74 Committee grew out of concerns that were in the forefront during the great period of activity of the civil rights movement. Some real progress was made during that time, but we are still a long way from being a society in which all members have an equal opportunity to participate fully. It is crucial that we rededicate ourselves now to the creation of an open society free from the blight of racial discrimination. Friends' schools provide us with an excellent avenue to make our commitment felt. With your support, Minute 74 will continue its efforts on behalf of the Yearly Meeting.

24. Gregory Harrison presented the report of the Permanent Board.

PERMANENT BOARD

The Permanent Board has met five times since the end of the 1977 Yearly Meeting; on this campus last August, at Boston in October, at Cambridge in November, at Wellesley in February, and again on this campus yesterday.

In response to Minute 75 of the last Yearly Meeting, which speaks of the importance of establishing a Meeting for Sufferings to support Friends in need, we appointed five persons who are now working with the Peace and Social Concerns Committee, whence the concern arose.

We authorized the New England Friends Home Committee to loan \$5000 to the Friends Community Development Corporation for six months, if needed.

We approved the request of the Moses Brown Board to borrow up to \$60,000 for the conversion of Hawes Gymnasium to a library. We wished to be assured of a satisfactory repayment plan.

We approved a second request from the School Board: that the Permanent Board facilitate transfer of monies from the trust created under the will of Walter R. Jones to the Yearly Meeting for the benefit of Moses Brown. A few members of our Board met with the School's Executive Committee the better to understand the School.

We authorized the Student Loan and Scholarship Committee to disburse funds from the Anna M. Brown bequest to qualified applicants.

The State of Maine now requires licenses to solicit for charitable purposes, but it grants churches the right to file for exemption. Accompanied by a letter of protest against such legislation, we have filed for exemption from that license.

We read and forwarded to the Yearly Meeting memorial minutes for Stuart Chapin, Walter Miles, and Harold Myers.

In routine business we read and approved Minutes 82-87 of the 1977 Yearly Meeting sessions, and in the course of the year approved suggestions from the Nominating Committee to fill ten vacancies.

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25. Miriam Brown, for the Correspondence Committee, read excerpts from an epistle from Lake Erie Yearly Meeting, meeting

in Hiram, Ohio, from Switzerland Yearly Meeting, and from Japan Yearly Meeting. At Lake Erie, Barrett Hollister brought a message for change and Elizabeth Gray Vining urged a looking to the future, not the past, and noted the centrality of the Meeting for Worship. Switzerland Yearly Meeting stresses that disarmament and non-violence will follow only when minds are changed. In Japan, members were grateful for the powerful ministry of visitors Lewis and Sara Benson who awakened an interest in the fundamentals of Quakerism.

26. The Nominating Committee presented its report which has been reviewed by the Representatives. We approved it. Members serving on the Faith and Practice Review Committee will serve indefinite terms until the review is complete or until the committee is laid down.

27. The concern was expressed that, counting ex-officio members, there are more non-Friends than Friends on the Moses Brown School Executive Board. The statement from the report on organizational structure was read (1972 minutes, R.30): "each board will appoint an executive committee from its members, the majority so appointed to the Executive Committee being Friends." The Meeting feels that this year, as the new headmaster takes up his job, we need not be overly concerned if a lack of balance continues. We hope this matter may be clarified during the coming year.

28. Margaret Cates presented the report of the Executive Council, including 10 recommendations with respect to staff to be taken up at the Thursday business session. In answer to questions about the allotment of the Young Friends and China Camp Coordinator's time, she explained that Michael Carter has spent his half-time employment with us this past year divided between China Camp duties and Young Friends work. The Council expects that the China Camp Director will take up some of this work from the Youth Secretary so that his proposed full time work may be spread to include work with youth of all ages through work with the Christian Education Committee. The question of need for secretarial help for the Youth Secretary was raised.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

The Executive Council met four times during the year on the evening before Committee Days, which were held in Hanover, Cambridge, Wellesley, and Hartford. Clerks of committees kept us informed of committee activities.

Two areas have required major consideration this year — staffing needs of the Yearly Meeting and location of a suitable site for the 1979 Yearly Meeting sessions.

A special committee met several times during the year to study staffing needs (with special attention to needs of Young Friends). The committee presented its recommendations and the following were approved:

- 1) The title of Office Secretary be changed to Administrative Secretary.
- 2) There should be a full-time Youth Secretary who will serve as liaison between local Meetings and three committees (Young Friends, China Camp, Christian Education).
- 3) We recommend that the Youth Secretary work with a wider age range of youth.

- 4) We recommend that an Advisory Committee continue to assist the Youth Secretary.
- 5) We recommend that Michael Carter be appointed Youth Secretary for the coming year.
- 6) We recommend that salary for the Youth Secretary be \$9,500 for the coming year, plus retirement and medical insurance.
- 7) We recommend that Louis Marstaller be continued as Field Secretary and Clarabel Marstaller as Administrative Secretary for the coming year.
- 8) We recommend that the salaries for Field Secretary and Administrative Secretary be increased by 5% (to offset inflation to some extent).
- 9) We recommend that an additional \$1,000 be added to the salary of the Administrative Secretary for 1978-1979.
- 10) We recommend a budget item of \$500. for secretarial help as needed by the Administrative Secretary, especially at Yearly Meeting.

29. Clarabel Marstaller presented the Office Secretary's report. She pointed out that setting priorities in her job load is most important and that she has much appreciated the availability of funds for office help during peak periods, including help throughout this Yearly Meeting week. Miriam Brown expressed for all of us an awareness of the deep commitment that Louis and Clarabel have to their work for the Yearly Meeting — it is simply such a part of their lives that its value to us is immeasurable.

OFFICE SECRETARY

The usual activities included editing and distributing four issues of *The New England Friend*, special bulk mailings for certain committees, oversight of publication of the Yearly Meeting minutes, arrangements for Committee Days and distribution of minutes for some of the committees, care of correspondence and requests for copies of *Faith and Practice* and other literature. I have appreciated the unique desk which was made especially to hold the IBM Selectric typewriter and to provide storage for the addressograph stencils. This makes maintaining the mailing list on the stencils much easier.

Thanks are due again to several adults and youth of Durham Friends Meeting who help with the bulk mailings.

Clarabel Marstaller

30. Louis Marstaller presented the report of the Field Secretary. He suggested that often matters taken up with the Field Secretary should be first the province of Monthly and Quarterly Meetings. He couldn't resist an analogy—likening a recent outing of owners of one cylinder engines with the accompanying noise, spinning of fly wheels, sputtering and whirring of engines which were going nowhere, to some of our committee process. He spoke with affection of the life of Edith Buffum of North Berwick, her many years of much appreciated service at Moses Brown School and a long period of peaceful retirement, and of his last visit with her before her recent death at age 99. He has urged us to help the Youth Secretary in as many ways as we are able and, particularly, to seek the outlet and satisfaction of helping with needed work on Yearly Meeting properties.

FIELD SECRETARY

In last year's report I mentioned two things: my physical condition which I am happy to say is much improved and that we have many empty seats in most of our meeting houses — a condition which still exists. I took my medicine and did almost as the doctor told me and it helped. It would be nice if we could get some tonic at the store for our struggling Meetings. We have lists of suggestions

compiled by Ministry and Counsel and others that might help if we use them in the right spirit.

I have been at a number of Meetings that had visitors who were introduced; if only a fraction of these people joined us our statistics would not look so much the same. Are our Meeting's ministry and service adequate for today's needs?

Besides visiting Meetings I have visited many quarterly meetings, worked with the Maine Council of Churches, worked on the China Camp property and visited its neighbors. The Amesbury property and Meeting have taken some of my time and attention and I am happy to report that we received a substantial gift from the Whittier Home trustees to be used for the Meeting House property upkeep and repair. I have worked with several committees and would like to commend all committee clerks and others for their dedicated work. I hope we will all support them and especially the "New Call to Peacemaking" efforts of our Peace and Social Concerns Committee.

I almost was snowbound for a week in the Boston area in early February. Fortunately, by chance I heard a weather report on the radio and took its advice and went home to Maine just in time.

Friends at all Meetings, the Friends Home in Hingham, and our schools appreciate visitors — be Ffriendly. Thank you for all the kind things you have done for me.

Louis Marstaller

31. The Field Secretary presented the Statistical Report, showing an increase in membership of 59 for a total of 3,717; a slight decrease in attendance at Meetings for Worship; and a decrease in numbers attending First Day classes and study groups. Deep appreciation was expressed for the Field Secretary's work. The importance of visits by all of us to those who are unable to get about as they formerly have, was stressed. Statistical Report is on pages 42-43.

32. Michael Carter reported on his work as Young Friends and China Camp Coordinator. He has told us that Young Friends this year have assumed strong leadership, the Young Friends Ministry and Counsel Committee assuming a larger role in this, thereby easing Mike's work load. He expressed great appreciation for the work of Marty and Beth Rotblatt, directors of China Camp. The Meeting is most grateful for Mike's service to it. It was suggested that youngsters who have attended Yearly Meeting and China Camp often have more appreciation of Friends' ways.

YOUNG FRIENDS AND CHINA CAMP COORDINATOR

The physical and spiritual growth of Young Friends this past year was immeasurably helped by the establishment of a new Young Friends Ministry and Counsel. Its primary purpose is that of providing Outreach to Young Friends in local Monthly Meetings. Young Friends Ministry and Counsel members also provide peer counseling at all Young Friends gatherings, and take an active role in the development and leadership of whatever conferences are sponsored by Young Friends throughout New England.

A schedule of Outreach and Meeting intervisitation was developed last fall, and Young Friends Ministry and Counsel members assumed the prime responsibility for the conduct of these Outreach weekends. This program has proved to be quite successful. Young Friends Ministry and Counsel also prepared a brochure entitled "Introducing Young Friends Ministry and Counsel." This brochure was designed to explain the purposes of Outreach and to clarify the role of Young Friends Ministry and Counsel. Several copies of this brochure were sent to each Meeting Clerk and Young Friends coordinators throughout New England. A **Young Friends Statistical Profile** which I prepared and developed, was also sent to all Meetings in New England, and resulted in an updated mailing list of Young

Friends of high school and college age and also junior young Friends. Using this profile, we discovered forty-two new Young Friends. Four issues of the *Crier* were prepared and mailed and four Outreach Weekends were held as well.

In 1977-8, the China Camp Committee directed its energy and efforts toward reassessing the direction of the camp, its philosophy, its viability, and its commitment toward implementing Friends principles into its program. It reaffirms its purpose with dedication and increased energy. To nurture the spiritual growth of our young remains the primary objective. The setting of the woods, fields, wildlife, and the lake offer the opportunity for everyone to explore, expand, and grow in their mental and spiritual capabilities to the fullest. The harmony of community living close to nature, strengthened by the existence of qualified, dedicated and enthusiastic staff, offers the potential of a very fruitful summer.

With regard to my personal role as Camp Coordinator, I have, throughout the year, recruited staff via mailing advertisements to all Friends institutions in the U.S followed by sending application forms and interviewing staff applicants. Five hundred fifty brochures of the summer sessions at China Camp were mailed. Each applicant camper was sent an individual "Dear Camper" letter noting the dates, times of arrival and departure, and what to bring. Besides recruiting staff and campers, I have also spent a great deal of time with regard to program planning, both with the staff and the Camp Committee.

Michael Carter

33. As Friends gathered for New England Yearly Meeting, they were mindful of Hiroshima-Nagasaki vigils being held this week in a number of New England cities. Over 40 Friends felt led to join together in a noon vigil in Norton, on Route 123, to express support and encouragement for continuation of disarmament efforts.

34. Louis Marstaller described the facilities of the University of Maine's Gorham Campus for our consideration as a site for a future Yearly Meeting.

35. Alison Oldham, for the Peace and Social Concerns Committee, gave a brief account of the progress of the New Call to Peacemaking in New England, and of two conferences held at Powell House. T. Canby Jones then, after graphic references to the effects of the Hiroshima-Nagasaki atom bombs, covered many of the Biblical foundations of the New Call, traced our Quaker roots of Peacemaking, and exhorted us to live "as though the Kingdom of God were already on earth" by giving specific examples of what we can do. We must "love people, meet people where they are, and seek the power which is always available to us."

Thursday, August 11

36. A memorial to Richard Edward Meuse was read.

MEMORIAL TO RICHARD EDWARD MEUSE

On March 3, 1978, Richard Edward Meuse was killed in a pointless accident three weeks before his fourteenth birthday. He was very active in Junior Yearly Meeting and was clerk twice.

Richard had always been anxious and willing to help people. He was very caring and we feel we can attribute most of this to his Quaker background. During his life, he made such great progress in himself and his ideals that we regret that we were unable to see him progress further. We all miss him.

37. We were visited by the entire Junior Yearly Meeting. Each Junior brought a root or fruit of Quakerism to put on the tree of life. We thank Alice Wiser for making the Junior Yearly Meeting

a lively and meaningful experience for our youngsters. Her exceptional ability to work with children has enriched our gathering and us.

38. Thomas Hutcheson read the report of the Young Friends, showing much satisfying visitation throughout the year under the leadership of their Ministry and Counsel Committee. Attendance this year is about 30, considerably fewer than other recent years. There is concern that Young Friends, because of including much of the general program as well as their own program, are feeling too pressured. We wish them to feel at ease to schedule a week that serves their needs and seems right for them.

39. Janet Hoffman presented the report of the Christian Education Committee. She noted the availability to all Meetings of a library of useful First Day School material. We note with appreciation Jan's energetic leadership of this Committee.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE

The Christian Education Committee has had another exciting year. Following the direction we set for ourselves last year, we have established the New England Yearly Meeting Christian Education Library with Enid Zollweg in Maine. Meetings can borrow books by mail from this collection, and several Meetings have borrowed various books from the Living Light curriculum to see if they are appropriate for use in their Meetings. We published a newsletter this year and again sponsored a workshop with Caroline Pineo from Philadelphia. We held the workshop in Dover since we are beginning to focus on the needs of smaller Meetings, and found it was the perfect spot for looking at resources about our Quaker roots. Once again, Caroline inspired those who came to the workshop, and then she stayed overnight to help plan programs and train staff for Junior Yearly Meeting. In a continuing effort to show possibilities for multi-age religious education activities, as well as to suggest how the Bible might be made exciting and relevant to young people and adults, we sponsored a workshop at Yearly Meeting. This workshop planned two Bible simulations and hoped that at least some of the attenders would be inspired to try them in their local Meetings.

The Executive Council's examination of staff needs led us to define more clearly what religious education needs existed in New England and how part of a staff person might respond more completely to those needs than our committee could ever do. We are excited by the prospect of a Youth Secretary who will have some responsibility for religious education and hope that working jointly with him we can learn to water the spiritual seed in children so that it will grow and flower into active, vital Young Friends and productive, mature Quakers - and grow ourselves in the process.

40. Margaret Cates, for the Executive Council, presented the 10 proposals concerning Yearly Meeting staff (see Minute 28). All were approved. It was emphasized that careful consideration is being taken for the proper use of the Youth Secretary's time. It is expected that a job description will be formulated and publicized as soon as possible. It has been suggested that Friends take concerns to committees affiliated with the Youth Secretary's work instead of directly to him to avoid the effect of demands in too many directions.

41. A memorial to Harold W. Myers was read.

MEMORIAL TO HAROLD W. MYERS

Harold W. Myers, a member of Providence Meeting for many years, died at the age of 80 years, 6/23/1977. Suffering from an incurable ailment, Harold faced death with remarkable fortitude and an open-hearted communicativeness toward

friends and family alike, which led doctors and nurses to agree that never in their experience had a patient made the transition from life on earth to a life beyond so inspiring to bedside visitors. He will be sadly missed by his wife Mary, their two sons, Gerald and Barton, and other close relatives. Beyond this, a well attended memorial service held at Providence Meeting House demonstrated how wide was his circle of friends and the depth of public regard.

Harold was born in Clarks, Nebraska, 1/18/1897, the son of a Presbyterian father and a Quaker mother of a long line of Friends. He grew up on their farm and he never lost the loneliness and freedom of the prairie nor the independence of the pioneer. At Nebraska Central College he became interested in athletics. The onset of World War I brought Harold into a larger field of service. In 1917 he went with a group to France under the American Friends Service Committee. During this same period he climbed Mt. Blanc, which was a source of satisfaction to him the rest of his life.

After post-war study in France, Harold settled in New England and obtained a Master's degree in Philosophy and Biblical Literature from Brown University. For 36 years he was a teacher in the secondary schools of Providence, a track coach, and a camp supervisor in Maine for 25 of those years. As an active member of the Society of Friends and pastor of the Smithfield Friends Meeting, he early became a recorded minister. After moving to Providence in the mid 1920's, Harold served within the context of an unprogrammed meeting. For fifty years his trim, neat figure and that of his good wife Mary were rarely missing from their place in the Meeting House. He found there the fertile soil for his mystical yearnings. His messages and often literary turn of thought were listened to with appreciation in both Providence and Saylesville.

Over the years Harold was active for peace, education and the life of Meetings. An idealist who did not compromise his beliefs even though they were sometimes misunderstood, he had an unusual ability not to be upset if others disagreed with him. Worship was a spiritual experience gladly shared with one or two, yet Harold Myers seemed equally at home in framing a deeply felt message at the largest gathering. He was an active member of New England Yearly Meeting's Evangelistic and Outreach Committee and the Beacon Hill Friends House board for several years.

In meetings for business Harold put his fine mind to work on every issue contributing something of a practical nature but he intentionally sought to avoid any suggestion of "leadership." Wry humor also came easily to him and he was a light-hearted member of any social gathering.

It will be remembered of Harold Myers that not only did he set a fine example of the Christian life, but he exemplified Quaker ideals in the genuineness and modesty of his demeanor. He revealed the depths of his spirit slowly. Only at his passing, it seems fair to say, did this Friend's full stature stand clearly to be seen from the testimonies of many who had known him.

Let him speak for himself in extracts taken from the **Friends Journal**, 12/15/1971, "The Mystics Testimony." "The mystic is a spiritual mountain climber. He is a crusader for the cause of the individual and his goal is the perfected human spirit . . . The mystic's ministers are his own myriad mental vibrations. Allow the mystic the fellowship of other mystics and his is a boundless sense of benefaction that makes of this planet a kingdom of eternal righteousness."

42. Reports were given by our representatives to Friends United Meeting Triennial Meeting held in Oskaloosa, Iowa, June 30 to July 6, 1978. "... True Godliness . . . enables . . ." was the theme for a very full week which included the selection of new officers and staff for FUM for 1978-1981, the establishment of the Century Enablement Fund seeking to raise \$1,000,000 to support new ministries, and a concurrent conference of Young Adult Friends formed to fill the needs of Friends in the 20-35 year old range. We noted with interest the new staff appointments: Kara Cole as Administrative Secretary and John Kirk as Field Secretary and editor of **Quaker Life**. We were pleased to

know that Walter Schutt of Wilmington Yearly Meeting has been appointed as Presiding Clerk and Clarabel Marstaller as Assistant Presiding Clerk for the Triennium. Harold Smuck, Associate Secretary of Friends United Meeting, spoke briefly of the range and outreach of the Wider Ministries Commission.

43. The Meeting approved a traveling minute for Donnell and Elizabeth Boardman of Acton Meeting who leave this week for two years of service at Lugulu Hospital in Kenya.

44. Dwight Spann-Wilson, Executive Director of Friends General Conference, gave us a brief insight into the workings of Friends General Conference. Martha Gordon then presented a report of the FGC Gathering held at Ithaca, New York, July 1-8, 1978, and attended by 84 New England Friends. Continuing dialogue on all matters which touch us deeply seems essential to the conference theme, "What does the Lord require of thee?"

45. Marilynn Bever presented a lively and very informational report on the Friends Committee on National Legislation annual meeting held in January 1978 in Chevy Chase, Maryland. With a \$300,000 budget this lobbying arm of Friends is highly effective in its constant work for good legislation in Washington and as a source of pertinent information for Friends and others. Jan Harmon, a Mennonite who works on Indian Affairs at FCNL, gave a report from the point of view of a new, young intern.

46. Wayne Jones of the Friends Community Development Corporation reported that the present emphasis is on marketing the housing units. If construction can begin this fall, the operation will keep within its budget.

47. Andrew Towl spoke to the report of the Board of Managers of Investments and Permanent Funds. He added that the Board has stopped its sale of stock options and, as usual, had distributed the balances of income to constituents.

BOARD OF MANAGERS OF INVESTMENTS AND PERMANENT FUNDS REPORT OF YEAR 4/1/77 - 3/31/78

Last year at this time the Board predicted that constituents might count upon income of \$40 per 1000 units in the "Pooled Funds" for the year 4/1/77-3/31/78. The income distributed for that period was in fact more than \$43 per 1000 units.

The financial report prepared by John S. Rounds, Clerk of the Board's Committee on Accounting, Reports, and Audit is attached. It shows for the year:

Income receipts		
Interest	\$ 49,191.59	
Dividends	51,338.07	
Portion of option proceeds	1,220.50	\$ 101,750.16
Income disbursements		
Investment advisory service	7,500.00	
Custodial services	2,040.91	9,540.91
Net earned for distribution		92,209.25

The Board has agreed to cooperate with the Friends Committee on Economic Responsibility especially with reference to proxy issues of significance among our holdings. No occasion for action appeared during the year.

Attached:

Financial Report prepared by Committee on Accounting,

Reports and Audit; including
 List of Investments, 3/31/78
 Additions and Deletions since 4/1/77
 Constituent Funds and Distributions to them since 4/1/77
 Principal and Income
 Receipts and disbursements 4/1/77-3/31/78
 Statement of Investment Perspective and Guidelines, 1977/78
 Memorandum of Unit Market Values and Income Distributions

48. The Clerk read the report of the Auditors of the Permanent Funds.

AUDITORS OF THE PERMANENT FUNDS

We have examined the annual report and various statements distributed among the members of the Board of Managers of Investments and Permanent Funds, as well as some descriptive material concerning the corporations represented in the portfolio of securities. We are satisfied that the accounting done for the Board by the bank is adequately audited to confirm their custodial responsibility, and that our Committee's concerns extend into other areas.

Generally we are satisfied that securities are carefully selected under Yearly Meeting guidelines to avoid complicity in business contrary to our principles, and we encourage continuation of the Board's efforts in this direction.

Our committee continues to question the appropriateness of participation in the highly speculative stock option market. Also we question again the high turnover level involving commissions, advisory service and custodial and accounting fees which necessarily are higher than for longer-term investing methods. Our work would improve with more current access to monthly bank statements of securities transactions, as well as more timely receipt of audited bank summaries annually. It appears to us that all income should be distributed during each year to the pooled funds participants, except for minimized expenses, to prevent accumulation of retained income above a modest and levelled working balance.

Our intention to research the investment practices and auditing methods used in other yearly meetings has not yet been carried out, owing partly to our having anticipated receiving such information from the Philadelphia Yearly Meeting's "Consolidated Funds" through our Board of Managers. A combination of circumstances including winter snowstorms prevented this, but we are resolved to accomplish this soon.

John R. Kellam, Peter Shaw, Kenneth Strobel, Auditors

Friday, August 11

49. MEMORIAL TO STUART CHAPIN

Stuart Chapin, a beloved member of Midcoast Monthly Meeting, died on July 23, 1977 after a brief illness.

Stuart was born in 1897 in Springfield, Massachusetts. He studied at Princeton and Oxford Universities, specializing in the Romantic poets. He later taught at the Gunnery School in Connecticut and at Princeton and Williams Colleges. He and his first wife had two daughters.

Stuart's experiences in World War I were the source of his deep revulsion for war and the beginning of his deep pacifist conviction. During his long and productive life he worked energetically for peace, striving for peaceful solutions to local and world problems.

Stuart became a Friend relatively late in life. Shortly after his second marriage in 1951, he and Chouteau Chapin attended a workshop at Pendle Hill and came to realize that they belonged among Friends. They joined Friends Meeting at Cambridge and became active in many facets of Friends' concerns. They also participated in Quaker activities near their home in Woolwich, Maine, and helped found Midcoast Meeting in the early 1960's. In recent years they lived in Maine year round and transferred their membership to Midcoast.

Stuart was greatly loved in our small meeting. Each member has special memories of his gifts. His joy and his innocence were reflected in his manner of greeting people and in the tasks he undertook. He made each person feel that

he or she was someone special. His unashamed happiness and deep caring helped others to release that spirit which is within. He was a friend to great numbers of those who knew him and a catalyst of the best in us all. His joy in life, his positive outlook, and his sense of humor were always with him and were contagious.

As we experience separation by death from one in our immediate circle, we rally and regroup, coming ever closer together. There is a space, but his gentle presence is ever with us. We join his devoted wife, Chouteau, his children, other members of his family, and his many friends, in remembrance and celebration of a noble spirit which lives on in all of us.

50. Finley Perry presented the report of the Finance Committee. After useful consideration of our ties to both Friends United Meeting and Friends General Conference, we approved the report.

NEW ENGLAND YEARLY MEETING BUDGET

June 1, 1978 — May 31, 1979

Yearly Meeting Expenses	
Yearly Meeting Sessions	\$ 600
Young Friends Yearly Meeting	350
Junior Yearly Meeting	800
Yearly Meeting Clerk	200
Yearly Meeting Treasurer	200
Printing minutes	1,900
Sub-total	4,050
Field Secretary	
Salary (part time)	8,600
Retirement Fund	860
Travel & Expenses	3,200
Sub-total	12,660
Office Secretary	
Salary (part time)	5,900
Office Rental	675
Central Office Expense	3,300
Stenographic Assistance	500
Sub-total	10,375
Youth Secretary	
Salary	9,500
Retirement	950
Housing (Office rent)	450
Medical Ins.	800
Travel & Expenses	3,200
Sub-total	14,900
Yearly Meeting Committees	
Aging	150
Archives and Historical Records	600
China Camp	1,000
Christian Education	350
Executive Council	500
Faith & Practice Review	25
Friends Educational Needs	50
Ministry & Counsel	800
Minute 74 Expenses	250
Nominating	50
Peace & Social Concerns	250
Prejudice & Poverty Expenses	200
Student Loan and Scholarship	25
Wider Ministries	100
Young Friends Activities	500
Sub-total	4,850

Friends Organizations

American Friends Service Committee	200
Friends Committee on National Legislation	500
Friends Council on Education	100
Friends General Conference	3,109
Friends United Meeting Activities	4,700
Friends United Meeting	5,487
Friends World Committee for Consultation	1,280
Sub-total	15,376

Miscellaneous

Travel NEYM Representatives	300
FUM Travel Pool	300
New Call to Peace Making	250
Sub-total	850
Total	\$63,061

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

1. The Yearly Meeting depends for its support on voluntary contributions from the Monthly Meetings. If any Monthly Meeting fails to contribute its fair share, other Monthly Meetings must make up the deficit. The present budget calls for expenses approximately equivalent to \$16. per member of the Yearly Meeting.

2. Yearly Meeting committees may not exceed the expenses authorized for them in the budget and they should not contribute money to other organizations. The Treasurer is not authorized to pay any expenses in excess of the budget without prior approval of the clerk of the Finance Committee.

3. That no general appeals by any committees of the Yearly Meeting or by organizations of which we are a constituent part should be made directly to the members of the Yearly Meeting without prior approval of the Finance Committee except by those committees which have been previously authorized to do so, namely: the Equalization Fund, Minute 60, Minute 74, China Camp, FGC Committee, FUM Committee, FWC Committee, Right Sharing of World Resources Committee, Student Loan and Scholarship Committee and Young Friends Committee.

4. That the Treasurer be authorized to accept money for transmittal to the Friends Committee on National Legislation in an amount up to ten (10) percent of the Yearly Meeting budget.

5. That the audit of the accounts of the China Camp Committee by Ralph Austin, the New England Friends Home Committee by Henry Baechler, and the Young Friends Committee by Robert Wehmeyer for their respective most recently completed fiscal years be accepted.

6. That Ralph Austin be appointed to audit the accounts of the Treasurer of the China Camp Committee, that Polly Wood be appointed to audit the accounts of the Treasurer of the New England Friends Home, and that Robert Wehmeyer be appointed to audit the accounts of the Treasurer of the Young Friends Committee, in each case for the current fiscal year. It is suggested that in each case the auditor's report be included with the regular annual committee report.

7. That the audit of the accounts of the Yearly Meeting Treasurer (including now the accounts of the Archives and Historical Records Committee) by Archie Meshenuk for the fiscal year ending May 31, 1978 be accepted.

8. That Fred Wheeler be appointed to audit the accounts of the Yearly Meeting Treasurer for the fiscal year ending May 31, 1979.

9. That Robert M. Brill be appointed as Treasurer for the ensuing year or until his successor is appointed and qualified, and that he be authorized to open and close bank accounts in the name of the Yearly Meeting as needed.

10. That Henry Baechler and the Clerk of the New England Yearly Meeting be named as alternate signers individually of all bank accounts of the New England Yearly Meeting for the ensuing year or until their successors are appointed and qualified.

50. We approved the appointment of Robert M. Brill as Treasurer for the ensuing year or until his successor is appointed and qualified, and we authorize him to open and close bank accounts in the name of New England Yearly Meeting of Friends as needed.

51. We approve naming Henry Baechler and the Clerk of New England Yearly Meeting as alternate signers individually of all bank accounts of New England Yearly Meeting for the ensuing year or until their successors are appointed and qualified.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TREASURER
June 1, 1977 — May 31, 1978
RECEIPTS FOR BUDGET

Connecticut Valley Quarter		Rhode Island-Smithfield Quarter	
Hartford	\$ 8,300.00	North Dartmouth	\$ 250.00
Middletown	800.00	Providence	4,312.51
Mt. Toby	1,800.00	Smithfield	1,249.30
New Haven	1,300.00	Westerly	800.00
New London	150.00	Worcester	1,200.00
Pleasant Street	15.00		<u>\$ 7,811.81</u>
Storrs	1,000.00		
Watertown	200.00		
	<u>\$13,565.00</u>		
Dover Quarter		Salem Quarter	
Concord	\$ 175.00	Action	\$ 600.00
Dover	500.00	Amesbury	—
West Epping	25.00	Cambridge	11,800.00
Gonic	261.50	Lawrence	480.00
Weare	300.00	Lynn	150.00
	<u>\$ 1,261.50</u>	Wellesley	3,675.00
			<u>\$16,705.00</u>
Falmouth Quarter		Sandwich Quarter	
Durham	\$ 1,300.00	Allen's Neck	\$ 616.39
Portland	1,200.00	Dartmouth	500.00
Parsonsfeld	9.00	Marion	—
Sandwich	130.00	New Bedford Monthly	600.00
Windham	372.50	New Bedford Particular	200.00
	<u>\$ 3,011.50</u>	Long Plain Particular	55.00
		Mattapoissett Particular	325.00
		Sandwich	700.00
		West Falmouth Preparative	660.92
		Yarmouth Preparative	810.50
		Swansea	500.00
		Westport	710.00
			<u>\$ 5,677.81</u>
Northwest Quarter		Vassalboro Quarter	
Bennington	\$ 500.00	China	\$ 200.00
Burlington	650.00	Midcoast	300.00
Hanover	1,443.00	North Fairfield	200.00
Middlebury	275.00	Oak Grove	—
Monadnock	375.00	Orono	250.00
Plainfield	485.00	Vassalboro	800.00
Putney	370.00	Winthrop	345.09
	<u>\$ 4,098.00</u>		<u>\$ 2,095.09</u>
Total from Meetings		\$54,225.71	
Received from Individuals		1,810.00	
Received from Investments for Yearly Meeting		416.39	
Received from Investments for Friends United Meeting		1,556.32	
Savings Bank Interest		2,389.89	
Faith and Practice Receipts		<u>365.90</u>	
Total Receipts		<u>\$60,764.21</u>	

BUDGET ACCOUNTS			
	Income & Credits	Budget Allotment	Outgo
Yearly Meeting Operating Accounts			(Over) or Underexpended
Yearly Meeting Session	\$20,302.82	\$ 600.00	\$ 177.30
Young Friends Yearly Meeting Session		350.00	54.25
Junior Yearly Meeting Session		800.00	(70.22)
Clerk's Expense		200.00	165.00
Treasurer's Expense	42.48	200.00	83.36
Printing Yearly Meeting Minutes		1,800.00	159.12
Field Secretary Salary, parttime		8,190.00	1,735.00
Field Secretary Retirement		819.00	8,190.00
Field Secretary Expenses		3,200.00	819.00
Office Secretary Salary, parttime		4,650.00	2,946.41
Office Rental		675.00	4,650.00
Office Expenses		3,300.00	675.00
Ministry & Education Secretary		3,138.00	2,646.11
Salary — three months		800.00	3,136.86
Ministry & Education Sec'y, Expenses			642.41
Young Friends & China Camp Coordinator			
Salary parttime		5,145.00	
Young Friends & China Camp			5,145.00
Coordinator Expenses		2,800.00	
Operating Accounts Subtotal	\$20,345.30	\$36,667.00	2,248.56
Committee Accounts			\$54,919.96
Aging		175.00	551.44
Archives & Historical Records	27.38	700.00	175.00
China Camp		1,000.00	130.09
Christian Education		350.00	1,000.00
Executive Council		500.00	382.58
Friends Educational Needs	205.02	50.00	(32.58)
Ministry and Counsel	28.20	800.00	500.00
Minute 74, Expenses		175.00	75.00
Nominating		50.00	35.37
Peace & Social Concerns	234.00	250.00	(4.03)
New Call to Peacemaking		500.00	27.66
Prejudice & Poverty, Expenses	13.00	500.00	28.39
Student Loan, Expenses		250.00	6.63
Wider Ministries	573.80	75.00	63.98
Young Friends	94.52	100.00	59.03
Committee Accounts Subtotal	\$ 1,175.92	\$ 5,475.00	54.90
			500.00
			\$ 5,031.48
			\$1,619.44

Support of Wider Quaker Concerns			
American Friends Service Committee	200.00	200.00	
Friends Comm. on National Legis.	500.00	500.00	
Friends Council on Education	100.00	100.00	
Friends General Conference, 80¢/member	2,912.00	2,912.00	
Friends United Meeting, Activities	6,000.00	6,000.00	
Friends United Meeting, 1.45¢/member	5,278.00	5,278.00	
Friends World Committee, 30¢/member	1,092.00	1,092.00	
Travel for NEYM Representatives	300.00	50.00	250.00
Travel for FUM Triennial Pool	300.00	300.00	
Support Subtotal		<u>\$16,682.00</u>	<u>\$ 250.00</u>
SUBTOTAL FOR BUDGET ACCOUNTS	\$21,521.22	\$58,824.00	\$3,961.78
NONBUDGET ACCOUNTS			
	Forward	Income & Credits	Outgo
Bequest Funds			
Boyce & Gifford (for Western Indians)		\$ 69.29	\$ 69.29
Anna M. Brown (for education of R.I. farmers' children)	\$ 3,506.62	334.95	\$ 3,841.57
Boyce, Camp, Knowles & Sturge (for education of freedmen)	1,443.65	2,118.13	1,561.78
J. G. Greene (for Sandwich Meeting & Y.M. owned Friends education)		361.10	361.10
Hansen & Hill (for Hingham Home)		393.59	393.59
Hayden (for Providence Mtg., USFW, & Board of Missions)		750.27	750.27
E. M. Jones (for Parsonsfield Meeting)	268.75	66.99	335.74
Kirby (for evangelistic work in Sandwich Quarter)	1,233.08	100.33	1,183.41
Mosher (for printing & circulating publications on Quaker principles)	1,073.09	656.02	1,610.11
Pittsfield & Varney (for Ministry & Counsel)	1,001.35	75.45	926.80
Bequest Funds Subtotal	\$ 8,526.54	\$ 4,926.12	\$ 3,993.25
Contributory Funds			
China Camp	100.00	665.00	765.00

China Camp Special Fund for Purchase of Ware Property	2,234.73	2,234.73	4,236.10
Equalization	3,392.50	3,431.50	(3.92)
Archives & Historical Records	446.58	450.50	
FCNL, contributions by individuals & FUM, contributions by individuals & Meetings for Missions	3,185.00	3,285.00	
RSWR and Belize, contributions by individuals & Meetings	530.58	530.58	
Minute 74, contributions by individuals & Meetings	2,716.33	3,016.33	
Prejudice & Poverty, contributions by individuals & Meetings	4,310.00	5,625.00	3,788.74
Student Loan & Scholarship, contributions by individuals & Meetings	9,099.68	6,559.76	2,780.95
Lindley & Mary Binford	4,121.91	14,199.00	
Travel Pool for FUM Triennial	2,000.00	2,000.00	
Church Extension	300.00	1,400.53	
	2.69	11.41	
Contributory Funds Subtotal	\$ 32,558.42	\$ 25,898.40	\$28,412.81
Other Funds			
Withholding Taxes	62.60	380.90	67.50
Deferred Receipts	27.50	277.50	269.45
Field Secretary Retirement	166.16	161.98	328.14
Young Friends Coordinator Retirement	3,994.35	1,000.00	428.72
Maple Grove Parsonage	297.00	589.01	3,204.78
Amesbury Meeting House	54.30	54.30	1,142.49
Wider Ministries Bake Sale			
Estate of Virginia B. Butler (for Lincoln School)		2,500.00	
Estate of Margaret Stearns (for Lincoln School)		100,000.00	
Estate of Walter R. Jones (for Moses Brown School)			
Other Funds Subtotal	\$ 4,601.91	739,637.61	\$ 5,441.08
TOTAL FOR NONBUDGET ACCOUNTS	\$34,881.24	\$844,439.32	\$43,313.30
Subtotal for Budget Accounts, p. 14			
Working Capital	21,521.22	76,383.44	
Receipts, p. 13	6.56	62.10	
TOTAL FOR BUDGET ACCOUNTS	\$ 82,291.99	\$ 76,445.54	\$11,373.94
GRAND TOTAL BUDGET & NONBUDGET ACCOUNTS	\$965,055.02	\$950,776.51	\$54,687.24

On deposit May 31, 1978 in Connecticut Bank & Trust Co. (check account)
Society for Savings
Franklin Savings Bank, NY
Penobscot Savings Bank, Maine
Connecticut Savings & Loan (Prejudice & Poverty)
Connecticut Savings & Loan (Student Loan)
Hartford Federal Savings & Loan

3,080.38
16,591.68
17,278.37
328.14
2,780.95
14,199.00
428.72

\$54,687.24

Robert M. Brill, Treasurer

On July 15, 1978, I examined the books and the report of the Treasurer of the New England Yearly Meeting of Friends for the year ending May 31, 1978.

The Treasurer's report reflects the receipts and expenditures during such year and is in agreement with the total bank balances as of May 31, 1978.

Archie Meshenuk, Auditor

53. Jean Mitchell gave the report of the Committee on Right Sharing of World's Resources. Educating us to recognize our role in Right Sharing is a primary concern of this committee. They ask us: Do we see ourselves as both the cause and solution to world problems of hunger, frustration and violent change? Do we seek to change our attitudes and actions that we may develop feelings of mutual caring and trust with all people?

54. New England Yearly Meeting supports the work of the recent United Nations Special Session on Disarmament, which urged a halt in the development, production and sale of both nuclear and conventional arms, and has set up machinery to try to implement its decision. The Special Session noted that the vast expenditures on arms are destructive of the economies of both developed and developing countries and in the end the price of the arms race is the neglect of people's basic needs everywhere.

We call upon our government and our fellow citizens to abandon the rhetoric of the Cold War and the futile search for security in the weapons of mass destruction, and to seek for effective ways to move toward true human security with disarmament and reconciliation as national and international goals.

As Friends, we pledge ourselves to continue working for disarmament, justice and peace.

Presented by Peace and Social Concerns Committee

55. The Spirit is moving many of us to try to remove the seeds of war that are within us, and to act boldly and positively for peace. New England Yearly Meeting wishes to lend spiritual and material support to Friends who may suffer because of their faithfulness to our testimonies.

1. In order to provide effective support, the Peace and Social Concerns Committee shall keep track of the peacemaking activities of Friends in New England and present a report summarizing those activities at each Yearly Meeting. The committee shall keep in touch with Friends who are at risk or are suffering because of their witness and keep New England Friends informed.

2. The Yearly Meeting establishes a Committee on Sufferings, composed of two representatives selected by Peace and Social Concerns Committee, two representatives selected by the Meeting on Ministry and Counsel, two representatives selected by the Finance Committee, and the Presiding Clerk of the Yearly Meeting. The Committee chooses its own Clerk. The names of persons serving on the Committee on Sufferings are to be printed in the Minute Book.

3. The Fund for Sufferings is established as a permanent fund under the care of New England Yearly Meeting. The Treasurer is authorized to receive contributions earmarked for the Committee on Sufferings and to disburse those funds as the Committee on Sufferings directs. The unused funds will accumulate from year to year. The Committee on Sufferings is authorized to solicit contributions from Yearly Meeting members to establish a moderate working balance and to meet specific needs which exceed the funds already available.

4. Any Monthly Meeting may recommend to the Committee on Sufferings the names of any members or attenders who are part of the Meeting Community who are in need of financial help because of their witness. In exceptional cases, New England Yearly Meeting Peace and Social Concerns Committee may make recommendations. The Committee on Sufferings considers each recommendation and authorizes grants of money from the Fund for Sufferings. The Committee shall make an annual report to the Yearly Meeting.

Presented by Peace and Social Concerns Committee

56. Miriam Brown for the Correspondence Committee read the first draft of our Epistle to all Friends. Suggestions for amplification were made.

57. The Ministry and Counsel Committee asked permission to co-opt a number of volunteers both members and attenders for its Advancement Working Group. This was approved.

58. A Memorial to Walter R. Miles was read.

MEMORIAL TO WALTER RICHARD MILES 1885 - 1978

Walter R. Miles, a life long member of the Society of Friends, was born in Silverleaf, North Dakota, March 29, 1885. Much of his formal education was Quaker. He received his B.S. degree from Pacific College in 1906, his A.B. degree from Earlham College in 1908. He was instructor in Psychology and Education at Penn College from 1908-1910 and Earlham College awarded him an honorary ScD in 1952. He died May 15, 1978.

He became an integral part of Roxbury Meeting when he came to the Boston area in 1914 to work in the nutrition laboratories at Harvard Medical School. His life and that of his wife Elizabeth Kirk Miles whom he married in 1908 and their children, Kirk, Caretta and Marjorie was centered in Boston Monthly Meeting. He was appreciated by young and old for his wit and wisdom. His delightful presentations of Bible and other stories to "Bible Schoolers" were long to be remembered.

He retained his membership in Boston Monthly Meeting, now Friends Meeting at Cambridge, where he was a recorded minister though he was active in the Palo Alto, California, Meeting while Professor of Experimental Psychology at Stanford from 1922-32. His wife Elizabeth died a few years after the family moved to Palo Alto. After he became Professor of Psychology at Yale he and his second wife Catherine Cox Miles (sister of Anna Cox Brinton) were active in the establishment of the New Haven (Conn.) Meeting.

His professional achievements in the field of psychology, including studies of the effects of alcoholic beverages, had practical applications with societal benefits. For some years after his retirement from Yale he was out of contact with organized Quakerism but spent the last years of his life at the Sandy Spring Friends Home where he and his wife were near their daughter Anna Miles Jones.

59. Miriam Brown shared with us her experiences of personal freedom and family responsibility in a moving account filled with her characteristic touches of humor and insight. The privilege of hearing this story of growth through loving, caring and sharing was much appreciated.

Saturday, August 12

60. Patti Hawkins, for the Young Friends, presented a proposal that Woolman Hill be used as a Friends community and conference center with a resident couple and 8-10 Young Friends interns. They ask for the formation of an Ad Hoc Committee of

Young Friends to meet with the Woolman Hill Board to develop a formal proposal. We feel comfortable for Young Friends to engage in dialogue with the Woolman Hill Board to explore ideas on what the Center should be and realistically can be.

61. We approved the Representatives' nominations for Clerks as follows:

Presiding Clerk:	SYLVIA S. PERRY
Recording Clerk:	BARBARA W. HADDAD
Reading Clerk:	THOMAS HANCOCK

We anticipate appointing an additional Reading Clerk early in the 1979 sessions.

62. Dinah Starr presented the report of the New England Friends Home Committee. She extended a warm invitation to all Friends to visit the Home. She emphasized the need for Monthly Meetings to send names of contact persons in order to update the Home mailing list.

NEW ENGLAND FRIENDS HOME

The Home has been very fortunate this past year in the continuing devoted service of Harry and Edith Barron and in the high quality of its staff, all of whom have contributed greatly to making it a cheerful and comfortable place to live. We have a fine group of residents which has remained quite stable, with only one vacancy occurring since last August. Residents visit and participate in activities in the community, and have much enjoyed visits from community groups and volunteers with skills to share and from Friends within the Yearly Meeting. Our Christmas pageant and open house were well attended.

We have gratefully received needed financial support from the Friends of Turkey Hill, a group of active and concerned local residents. This group has indicated that they do not foresee a time when they would have the resources to purchase and operate the Home should Friends wish to sell it, but they will maintain their interest and contribute what they can to support its operation.

The installation of storm windows on the first and second floors and the insulation of the third floor walls and ceiling greatly reduced the Home's fuel bill for this winter. Other improvements include the installation of a kitchenette in one of the two rooms at the West end of the third floor now occupied by the Barrons in lieu of the single room they formerly shared.

NEW ENGLAND FRIENDS HOME

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR YEAR END DECEMBER 31, 1977

Statement of Income and Expenses

Operating Revenue		
Residents	\$ 65,951.	
Contributions for Meals and Lodging	167.	\$ 66,118.
Operating Expense		
Salaries	32,561.	
Consultants	2,902.	
F.I.C.A.	2,603.	
Employee Health Insurance	1,460.	
Telephone	926.	
Utilities	8,605.	
Laundry	715.	
Operating Supplies	1,043.	
Provisions	10,344.	
House Furnishings	1,236.	
Repairs and Maintenance	4,486.	
Car	995.	
Insurance	3,127.	
Advertising (for Staff)	55.	

Subscriptions and Activities		482.	
Director's Discretionary Fund		195.	
Office Supplies		732.	
Education		299.	
Depreciation - Buildings	\$ 4,496.		
Furnishings	449.		
Auto	583.	5,528.	78,294.
Operating Income (Deficit)			(\$12,176.)
Non Operating Income			
Contributions	8,209.		
Less	5,120.*	3,089.	
Income from Huntington-Dixon Trust and other funds	7,209.		
Less Subsidy to Resident	840.	6,369.	
Interest Income		6,299.	
Miscellaneous		142.	15,899.
Balance, Increase to General Fund			3,723.

*Designated for Capital Improvement and Expended During Fiscal Year

BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 1977

Current Assets			
Cash - Checking Account	\$ 5,158.		
Savings Accounts	66,049.		
Petty Cash	250.	\$ 71,457.	
Notes Receivable - Friends Commu- nity Development Corporation			25,000.
Fixed Assets			
Building and Grounds	193,240.		
Less Depreciation	22,239.	171,001.	
Furniture and Equipment	4,370.		
Less Depreciation	2,359.	2,011.	
Automobile	5,583.		
Less Depreciation	583.	5,000.	
TOTAL			\$274,469.
Liabilities			
Deposits - Residents			2,537.
Funds - Building and Grounds	193,240.		
Restricted	34,817.		
General	43,875.	271,932.	
TOTAL			\$274,469.

63. Lois Brown spoke to the report of the Wider Ministries Committee, urging us to be aware of what we can do to further the aims and programs of this committee.

WIDER MINISTRIES COMMITTEE

The workshop held at the 1977 sessions on Native Americans and Friends was well attended and manifested the concern Friends do have for Native Americans. We feel that we provided a forum for both Indians and Friends to communicate together in order to develop some ideas for positive action. The proceedings of the four sessions have been prepared in booklet form and one copy made available to each of our Meetings. This material gives suggested activities that people and Meetings may become involved in. Additional copies are available from Betsy Lewis.

Thoughtful sharing, sensitive learning and creative caring proved to be prevalent throughout the Friends and Native American weekend conference held at West

Falmouth, Massachusetts, March 17-19, 1978. The Indian Affairs subcommittee of Wider Ministries and the AFSC New England Indian Committee are willing to provide resource people and/or suggestions for materials for interested groups. They will endeavor to keep us informed on all of these concerns.

Resource persons for our Conference on Ramallah and the Middle East were Shirley and Dean Tuttle who had just returned from 3 years in Ramallah in September 1977. She had served as principal of the Girls School there. Dean's responsibilities were for care and upkeep of the buildings and grounds. Before and after the conference at Cambridge on November 5 they were able to meet with Friends groups from Maine to Rhode Island. They had the opportunity to visit points of interest which were related to the lives of Eli and Sybil Jones whose concerns led to the opening of the schools in Ramallah in the 19th century.

Freedman's Funds are distributed each year by the Wider Ministries Committee. In the current school year four grants have been made to students at St. Augustine (North Carolina) and at Meharry Medical School (Tennessee).

A letter giving information concerning the new Friends Center in Agra, India — an unbudgeted special project of Friends United Meeting — was sent to all Monthly Meeting clerks in May. We hope that all Friends will become informed about this project and lend encouragement and support to it.

64. Margaret Cates, for the Executive Council, reported that Wheaton College has been decided upon for the 1979 Yearly Meeting with the expectation that Yearly Meeting will move to the Gorham campus of the University of Maine in 1980. After searching discussion, we approved this report, realizing that the decision to stay at Wheaton was partially based on the strong preference of the Junior Yearly Meeting. We approved the idea of making contributions toward the cost of transportation for distant Friends available through the Equalization Fund Committee and for adding a line on the registration form for a contribution from nearby Friends to help meet the cost of transportation. We suggest that the matter of extending Yearly Meeting over a weekend at some future session be taken back to Monthly Meetings for full discussion.

65. We approved a traveling minute for Hobart and Jean Mitchell who expect to attend Canadian Yearly Meeting, August 14-20.

66. The Yearly Meeting Registrar reported 214 full time and 229 part time registrants — a total of 443, somewhat up from 1977.

67. We approved the following minute on the relationship between American Friends Service Committee and New England Yearly Meeting, presented by the Peace and Social Concerns Committee.

Friends in New England Yearly Meeting want to nurture our relationship with the American Friends Service Committee, so that we may together find increased communication, appreciation, understanding, and support. We need each other.

Therefore, we would suggest:

- That the Peace and Social Concerns Committee arrange a gathering for AFSC to report on its program and organization to a group of Friends representing all Meetings in New England. Each Monthly Meeting should appoint at least one representative to this gathering.
- That we encourage Monthly Meetings to share their mailing lists with the AFSC and we encourage the AFSC to share its mailing lists with the local

Meetings that want them.

- That the mailing list of members of New England Yearly Meeting be made available to AFSC for special informational mailings directed to Friends (not for fund raising).
- That the Nominating Committee of New England Yearly Meeting provide any possible assistance to AFSC in finding qualified Friends to serve on AFSC committees.
- That the Mosher Book and Tract Committee consider providing materials on the practices and beliefs of Friends to AFSC staff.
- That the Yearly Meeting Arrangements Committee consider including at least one major address on AFSC work as a plenary session at 1979 Yearly Meeting.
- That our Administrative Secretary and the Executive Secretary of AFSC in New England find suitable arrangements to avoid scheduling conflicts between Yearly Meeting and AFSC events.
- That the Peace and Social Concerns Committee take any other steps it can to develop closer ties between Friends and the AFSC in New England.

Each Friends Meeting in New England should consider how it can develop more closeness with staff and programs of the AFSC.

68. We have considered at length the minute presented by the Peace and Social Concerns Committee for establishing a New England Friends' Peace Tax Fund. Because we were unable to unite in action on the minute at this time, we asked that the proposal be widely circulated among the Monthly Meetings, and we asked interested members of the Peace and Social Concerns Committee and tax resisters to try to visit the Meetings. We hope responses from Meetings will be made by January 1, 1979, for consideration by a group to be designated by the Presiding Clerk, the Clerk of Permanent Board, the Clerk of the Executive Council, together with representative members of the Peace and Social Concerns Committee.

69. The following reports are from committees which did not specifically report to the Yearly Meeting on their activities but which had submitted written reports.

FRIENDS CHINA CAMP COMMITTEE

For the summer of 1978, we return to three, two-week sessions of camp with the emphasis on enjoying the extensive woods that we own behind the camp buildings.

After the final regular session for 1978, Young Friends will meet at China Camp for the week before Labor Day. Mike Carter hopes that many of those attending the last session of camp, who are 15 years and older, will stay on, thus enjoying a three week experience at camp.

During the annual Memorial Day work weekend a cabin was re-roofed, a garden planted, boats and buildings were cleaned and painted, the Meeting House floor was refinished, and grass and firewood were cut.

Neighbors have agreed to keep an eye on the camp property when it is vacant; their assistance will supplement the work of Ralph Austin, Ben Cates and Louis Marsteller who continue to devote many hours to the overseeing of camp facilities.

We urge Friends interested in China Camp to attend an annual Memorial Day work weekend (not all work) or to arrange a get-together for their meeting or committee when camp is not in session. Check with Mike Carter or any member of the camp committee for available dates.

**Friends China Camp Financial Statement for
Year Ending May 31, 1978**

Cash on Hand June 1, 1977		\$ 3,407.89
Income:		
Regular Camp Sessions	\$ 9,070.00	
Other conference use	281.00	
Contributions including for land purchase	1,702.18	
Yearly Meeting Allotment	1,000.00	
Obadiah Brown Fund for land purchase	500.00	
Other Income	97.36	
Total Income		12,650.54
Total Funds Available for Use		\$16,058.43
Expenses:		
Salaries	\$ 6,185.00	
Food	2,119.96	
Insurance	895.07	
Utilities	776.18	
Maintenance, Supplies, and Repairs	662.16	
Travel Expense	882.70	
Program Supplies	194.43	
Training Program	158.01	
Promotion and Postage	4.75	
Legal Expense	98.00	
Other Expense	124.46	
Total Expense	\$12,100.72	
Amount paid from China Camp Funds toward purchase of Willard Ware land (Balance paid from contributions to Yearly Meeting Treasurer)	1,460.00	
Total Paid Out		\$13,560.72
Balance, May 31, 1978		\$ 2,497.71
Savings Account, Waterville Savings Bank		2,195.37
Checking Account, Bank of Maine		302.34
Cash on Hand, May 31, 1978		\$ 2,497.71

Benjamin Cates, Treasurer

July 23, 1978

I have examined the accounts of the China Friends Camp for the year ending May 31, 1978 and find them correct.

Ralph Austin, Auditor

ARCHIVES AND HISTORICAL RECORDS COMMITTEE

A highlight of the past year was the attendance of four of our members at a conference called by New York Yearly Meeting on "Making and Using Friends Records." Thomas Hancock, Francis Holmes, Thyra Jane Foster, and Ruth Burgess all attended, and the last two were on the program as speakers. It was a very helpful experience to all who were there, and gave us material help for the New England Yearly Meeting Workshop on Friends Records planned for the 1978 session.

Twenty-one persons used our genealogical resources at the Rhode Island Historical Society during the year, and several scholars obtained help from our records.

There has been a second printing of "Rhode Island Quakers in the American Revolution," the booklet written by Thyra Jane Foster, Robert Cool, and Ruth Burgess, of the Archives Committee.

Twenty-five leather bound books from the Moses and Obadiah Brown collections were repaired and restored by Mr. Knowlton, of Markey and Asplund.

A copy of Augustine Jones's "Instruction on Political Science in Schools Below College," written for the Young Men's Political Club of Rhode Island, was given to our collection by the Rhode Island Historical Society.

EQUALIZATION FUND COMMITTEE

In 1977, a total of \$3,431.50 in aid was given to Friends to enable them to attend Yearly Meeting. 33 Adults, 21 Young Friends and 31 Junior Friends were helped, making a total of 85 people. Letters urging Friends to use the Fund to attend 1978 Yearly Meeting were sent out in early Spring to each Monthly and Quarterly Meeting. The Committee thanks the Meeting, individuals and the Obadiah Brown Fund for their continued interest and generous contributions to the Fund.

After a research of the records of the Equalization Fund, it was found the money was always used to help pay the expenses of people attending Yearly Meeting. The present Equalization Fund Committee approves using the funds for this purpose only.

PEACE AND SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE

We cannot claim any dramatic change in the pattern of participation as the result of this year's change in committee membership to representatives of local Meetings, but the attendance of 18 in February was the largest in recent memory. Some representatives came from Meetings that had not had a member on the PSC Committee for quite a long time, and that was encouraging. Nevertheless, there are still some Monthly Meetings which have not appointed representatives to the PSC Committee, and with whom we have little or no contact. In short, results of the membership change to a representative committee are encouraging, but still inconclusive. We would like to continue the new procedure, to allow time for everyone to grow used to the system and use it to better advantage.

A major focus of the committee's was on the New Call to Peacemaking. Friends, Brethren, and Mennonites from New England and New York together in two meetings at Powell House examined the spiritual roots of our peace testimonies and the beliefs we hold in common, and went on to seek the ways we can most effectively live these testimonies. The depth of sharing at these conferences created in many attenders a strong intention to be faithful to the inner call to become peacemakers, to an extent not done before; and the ripple effect has begun to be felt among Friends in New England. In a variety of ways, many of them small and unspectacular, Friends touched by this experience have changed and simplified their manner of living. Some are finding the courage to resist war taxes, some are contributing sacrificially to peace work, some are speaking out publicly on peace issues more vigorously than before, some are seeking to move their Meetings to more positive peace action, and some are undertaking grassroots organizing for peace in their communities and among local churches. The New Call seems clearly to have sparked renewed commitment among us to the cause of peace, and this cannot help but strengthen the work of this committee. On the Monthly Meeting level, some Meetings have held discussion series on the New Call to Peacemaking, and one held a one-day mini-conference.

Outreach to local Meetings continued this year, though we did not make as many visits as we did last year. These visits continue to be stimulating to both visitors and the host Meetings, and offer opportunity for exchange of ideas and more contact during the long spaces between Yearly Meetings and major conferences.

We welcomed the opportunity to support the March conference on Friends and Native Americans sponsored by the Wider Ministries Committee, as well as a one-day meeting on simple living sponsored by Providence Meeting. As always, we encouraged committee members to promote participation in AFSC events such as the Middletown conference on Disarmament and the NIEO, and in larger happenings such as the rally for disarmament at the United Nations in May. Major national legislative issues for which we urged the strongest support were the Transfer Amendment to the Congressional Budget Resolution (to transfer funds from war purposes to peaceful activities) and the World Peace Tax Fund Act.

In keeping with our concern for Friends who need help because of their peace witness, the committee wrote letters of support for Paul Hood, a Wellesley Meeting Friend, who was arrested for speaking out in President Carter's church against the neutron bomb. We were relieved when his case was dropped. The committee was unsuccessful in its efforts to find a Friends' representative to the Strategy and Action Commission of the Massachusetts Council of Churches.

It may be that the committee's efforts this year were more directed toward fundamentals, toward putting down roots, than toward public action — picking the fruits. If that is so, we hope that the harvest in future years will justify this emphasis.

STUDENT LOAN AND SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

This Committee administers funds for educational purposes to members and children of members of New England Yearly Meeting. The service is in the form of a revolving loan. Inquiries may be addressed to the Clerk who will reply with the statement of purpose and policy, procedure and application form. The Fund stands at \$14,209.23. Loans outstanding and remaining to be repaid total \$7,462. The Committee wishes to thank those who sent gifts in memory of Gordon T. Roberts. Helping our young adults in their preparations for life continues the efforts of those who believed heartily in this kind of assistance and encouragement.

SUMMARY OF REPRESENTATIVES' MEETINGS 1978 NEW ENGLAND YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS

Seventy-four Representatives from 38 Monthly Meetings held sessions during the first two evenings, and approved the nominations of Sylvia Perry for Presiding Clerk, Barbara Haddad for Recording Clerk, Thomas Hancock and Margaret Angell for Reading Clerks of the Yearly Meeting, for service for one year following the close of the 1978 sessions.

We appointed Bruce Hawkins, Convenor, Caleb A. Smith, and Katherine Stern as our Nominating Committee to recommend persons to serve as the Yearly Meeting Clerks for the following year, 1979-1980.

We approved the list of other Yearly Meeting nominees for action at the Business Sessions, with a few remaining vacancies to go directly to those sessions for appointment.

We took several actions to promote the effectiveness of future Representative Meetings, including preparation of an agenda by previous clerks, an urgent request that Representatives prepare in advance for their participation in their meetings and all other Business Sessions, prompt releasing of the names of nominees for Yearly Meeting Presiding Clerkships as soon as their acceptances are received, printing of summaries of our minutes in the Yearly Meeting Minute Book, and a recommendation that the Faith and Practice Review Committee have unlimited terms and give special attention to the functions of the Representatives' Meetings.

Monthly Meetings were strongly encouraged to appoint persons to the Yearly Meeting Nominating Committee who can actually attend and participate in its work.

The Preliminary Budget was received from and explained by the Finance Committee, and approved for forwarding to the Yearly Meeting for action.

Thoreau Raymond, Presiding Clerk
John R. Kellam, Recording Clerk

70. Jeffrey Van Peski read the Junior Yearly Meeting epistle. JUNIOR YEARLY MEETING EPISTLE

Dear Friends:

Greetings! This year, New England Yearly Meeting of Friends met at Wheaton College in Norton, Massachusetts, from August 7-12. The theme of Junior Yearly Meeting has been "The Roots and Fruits of Quakerism." For our report to the rest of the Yearly Meeting on August 10, we all wrote our ideas of what our roots and fruits were on fruit-shaped pieces of paper. We stapled these onto a cardboard tree. People wrote things like: "My roots are my ancestors, and my fruits are in going to Yearly Meeting."

The first, second, and third graders in Junior Yearly Meeting talked about our roots in Quaker history and in God. The fourth, fifth, and sixth graders did a lot of acting and theater games. The seventh, eighth, and ninth graders had a discussion on death and dying with Richard Dyer, pastor of Winthrop, Maine,

Monthly Meeting. This discussion helped some of us deal with the recent loss of one of our members, Richard Meuse, who died last March at the age of 13. All of these groups played many different games to get to know each other, and, of course, to have fun.

Throughout the week, we all did things like swimming, soccer, frisbee, dancing and roller skating, and other activities. Many members of Junior Yearly Meeting participated in a silent vigil held on August 9 to commemorate the bombing of Nagasaki in 1945. At the end of the week, we had a JYM-sponsored festival and a talent show, which were even better than last year's. We also enjoyed the idiotic delight of feeding the ducks and geese.

We close this epistle with a moment of silence.

Until next year,
Clare O'Shea, Clerk
Jeff Van Peski, Recording Clerk

Mika Hoffman, Clerk. Epistle Committee, Peter Beal, Tom Anthony, Jennie Hoffman, Kiku Loomis, Jeffrey Meuse.

71. Sarah Strong, new clerk of Young Friends, read the epistle of Young Friends.

YOUNG FRIENDS EPISTLE

To Friends Everywhere,

New England Young Friends gathered at Wheaton College in Norton, Massachusetts for the week of August 7-12, 1978. The keynote address by George Selleck marked the beginning of our exploration into the spiritual and historical roots and fruits of Quakerism.

This year the Young Friends conference at Yearly Meeting was smaller than it has been, but was still a very intense learning experience. Young Friends workshop discussions included Death and Dying, Knowing Yourself and Others, Global Problems, and Sex Roles in Society. We explored and grew in our relationship with the wider Yearly Meeting group and with each other. We were delighted to find a spirit of growth within ourselves which was reciprocated in the Yearly Meeting business sessions. Problems arose from a wide range of opportunities presented. Young Friends grappled with a feeling of disintegration of community, but in the struggle found patience and loving concern for each other. We learned that we need to have unity among Young Friends before we can effectively reach out to the wider Yearly Meeting.

We look forward to experiencing this feeling of fellowship in future conferences and taking it with us into our lives.

Lightly,
Dacre Hancock and Thos. W. Hutcheson, Co-Clerks

72. We approved the epistle prepared by the Correspondence Committee.

GENERAL EPISTLE

To Friends Everywhere:

At the 318th session of the New England Yearly Meeting of Friends meeting at Wheaton College in Norton, Massachusetts, August 7-12, 1978, we have been reminded of our Quaker roots. From the opening message we have seen how beliefs and action have sprung from the depth of spiritual experience. The changes in Quakerism in New England from an early time have been developed under divine guidance and were considered and compared to the present when Meetings seek to reconcile differing opinions and focus on Christian mysticism.

Meetings for business should be especially concerned to seek to find middle ground when tension arises and find solutions in a spirit of worship. Tenderness for individual Friends' viewpoints should not be lost in the effort for group conformity.

Supplementing the emphasis on Christian roots of our Quakerism were the Bible Half Hours in which Elmer Brown explored the Biblical basis of the Quaker

tenets of the Inner Light, the silent worship, and the social testimonies of Friends.

Examination of Quaker Roots which directed us toward Peacemaking conveys to us a realization that renewal is a vital responsibility of our time. In our background we find the foundation of the freedom and responsibility of family life guiding the lives of our children and ourselves.

We continue to seek creative ways to witness to Friends' testimonies in a changing and turbulent world, some of which may involve sacrificial giving of time and resources or disobedience to secular authorities. We feel burdened by the inequitable distribution of the world's material goods and are exploring ways to share and simplify our lives. We were challenged by T. Canby Jones to oppose vigorously the resurgence of militarism and joyfully build a peaceful world. The Yearly Meeting has established a Committee on Sufferings to offer spiritual and material support to our members who may suffer imprisonment or other deprivation because of their faithfulness to this task. We also considered a proposal to hold in trust money withheld by those of our members who are refusing to pay Federal taxes for military purposes. In the midst of our sessions 60 fasting Friends held a silent public vigil in memory of those who died in Hiroshima and Nagasaki 33 years ago.

Our Quarterly Meetings brought forth a concern that Quaker youth be aided in constructive ways to avoid militaristic service by finding work that is morally and spiritually grounded.

While appreciating all these inspirations and their reinforcement in joyous song, worship and fellowship, we were conscientious in long and repeated committee meetings and sessions for business. The work of the Yearly Meeting was furthered by intensive workshops on a great variety of concerns. Friends were open to the light and ready to move toward action.

In a warm sense of fellowship that strengthens our individual lives, we send our loving greetings.

Signed on behalf of New England Yearly Meeting of Friends,

Caleb A. Smith, Clerk

Barbara W. Haddad, Recording Clerk

Andrew Towl wished us to express grateful thanks to the Junior and Young Friends for their Epistles.

73. The Peace and Social Concerns Committee presented with its endorsement the following statement by the Workshop on the New Call to Peacemaking.

The workshop on the New Call to Peacemaking urges members of the Yearly Meeting to respond to the New Call by forming networks of enthusiastic support for peace action. We want to share the inspiration we feel for the resurgence of our peace witness.

The essence of the New Call is people witnessing to people, in our homes and all the contacts of our daily lives. By steady work in our own communities, we can tap the desire and the resources for peace that already exist. From this center, ripples can move outward through the religious community and to the wider society. There are many ways to work for peace, and it is good that some Friends choose the vital role of witnessing directly to institutions and governments.

We further urge local meetings and the Yearly Meeting to support those persons who wish to be released for personal service in the cause of peace, if the opportunity arises.

This statement was distributed to the Yearly Meeting session but because of the pressure of time action was referred to the Permanent Board. The Permanent Board minuted, "We unite with the spirit of the minute and wish to see the subject developed further."

74. A list of Friends deceased in 1977 was read. The list is attached to the file copy of the 1978 Minute Book.

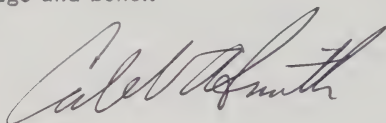
75. We thank Caleb A. Smith for his efficient and friendly services as Presiding Clerk during the past four years.

76. In concluding our 1978 Yearly Meeting sessions we are mindful of the presence of God which has so often permeated our gatherings. Under the influence of the Spirit we have been coalesced. We look forward to our working together for the Kingdom of God during the year to come and at the sessions we plan to hold again next year. We adjourn, purposing to meet at Wheaton College from August 13-18, 1979.

CALEB A. SMITH, Presiding Clerk

BARBARA W. HADDAD, Recording Clerk

We hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes as approved from time to time in the foregoing schedule of sessions, to the best of our knowledge and belief.



YEARLY MEETING PROGRAM

1978

Monday, August 7

- 1:30 PM Permanent Board
 3:30 PM Opening Worship
 4:30 Business Session: Introduction of Visiting Friends and JYM and YF staffs. Roll Call of Representatives
 6:45 Junior Yearly Meeting Parents/Adult Counselor and Staff Meeting
 7:15 Informal Singing
 7:45 Keynote Speaker: George A. Selleck, "The Roots of Quaker Belief and Action in New England"
 8:45 Representatives Meeting
 Orientation Session for New Attenders

Tuesday, August 8

- 7:15 AM Early Morning Worship
 8:45 Bible Half Hour, Elmer H. Brown: The Roots and the Fruits of Quakerism in Scripture. I. "In the Image of God." That of God in Everyone.
 9:30-10:30 Worship-Sharing Groups
 10:45 Business Session: Report of Ministry and Counsel, State of Society, Concerns. Quarterly Meeting Concerns. Faith and Practice Review Committee
 2:00 PM Workshops
 4:00 Open Committee Meetings for Planning and Review
 7:00 Informal Singing
 7:30 Business Session: Moses Brown School, Minute 74 Committee, Permanent Board
 9:00 Representatives Meeting

Wednesday, August 9

- 7:15 Early Morning Worship
 8:45 Bible Half Hour, Elmer H. Brown: II. "Worship the Lord in the Beauty of Holiness." Worship is Central.
 9:30-10:30 Worship-Sharing Groups
 10:45 Business Session: Nominating Committee, Executive Council, Field Secretary, Office Secretary, Statistics, Young Friends and China Camp Coordinator
 1:30 PM Committee Organization and Projection
 2:00 Workshops
 4:00 Open Committee Meetings for Planning and Review
 7:00 Informal Singing
 7:30 Evening Session: T. Canby Jones, "Quaker roots and the New Call to Peacemaking"
 9:00 Committee Organization and Projection

Thursday, August 10

7:15	AM	Early Morning Worship
8:45		Bible Half Hour , Elmer H. Brown: III. "Be Ye Therefore Perfect." The Business of our Lives
9:30-10:30		Worship-Sharing Groups
10:45		Business Session: Young Friends, Junior Yearly Meeting, Christian Education Committee, Executive Council recommendation on Staff
1:30	PM	Committee Organization and Projection
2:00		Workshops
4:00		Open Committee Meetings for Planning and Review
7:00		Informal Singing
7:30		Business Session: Friends United Meeting Committee, Friends General Conference Committee, Representatives to Friends Committee on National Legislation, Friends Community Development Corporation
9:00		Committee Organization and Projection

Friday, August 11

7:15	AM	Early Morning Worship
8:45		Bible Half Hour , Elmer H. Brown: IV. "If Thine Eye Be Single." Equality and Simplicity
9:30-10:30		Worship-Sharing Groups
10:45-12:15		Business Session: Finance Committee, Plans for next Yearly Meeting, Committee Concerns, Correspondence Committee
12:30	PM	United Society of Friends Women Luncheon
2:00		Workshops
3:30		Junior Yearly Meeting Festival Celebration
5:00		Committee Organization and Projection
7:00		Informal Singing
7:30		Evening Session: Miriam E. Brown, "On the Highway": Bicycle or Bus?

Saturday, August 12

7:15	AM	Early Morning Worship
8:45		Bible Half Hour , Elmer H. Brown: V. "God is not a God of Confusion but of Peace." Community and Harmony
9:30-10:30		Worship-Sharing Groups
10:45		Business Session: Report of Representatives, Right Sharing of World Resources Committee. Committee Concerns
2:00	PM	Worship
3:00		Concluding Business Session: Epistle, Final Minute
3:30		Permanent Board

WORKSHOPS

1. Dimensions of Sharing.
2. The Bible Comes Alive — understanding through drama (a multi-age workshop).
3. Friends Schools and Minorities: establishing goals for the future.
4. A New Call to Peacemaking: meaningful responses.
5. Nurturing Quaker Families (in today's world).
6. Women and Issues of Violence/Nonviolence.
7. Producing a Meeting's History.
8. Finding Peace Amidst Personal Turmoil
9. Friends and the American Friends Service Committee: the Service Committee past and present, with critical issues for the future.
10. Quaker, Quaker, quite contrary, how does your garden grow? A workshop on the Spiritual Life.

DIRECTORY OF MEETINGS

Direct Correspondence to Clerk or Pastor

CONNECTICUT VALLEY QUARTERLY MEETING

Clay Steinberger, Clerk. Held on the first weekends of February and May, and the third weekend in October. In February at West Hartford; in May at New Haven, Middletown, or Storrs; in October at Mt. Toby. Hours of meeting vary. Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Counsel the same day or evening before, Wendell Clepper, Clerk.

Meeting	Location	Sunday Worship	Sunday Study	Business Meeting	Clerk, Corres., Pastor
Hartford Mo. Meeting	144 S. Quaker Lane, West Hartford, CT 06119	10:00	11:00	2nd Thursday, 7:30	Elsa N. Cullen, Clerk
Middletown Mo. Meeting	Russell House, Cor. Washington and High Streets, Middletown, CT	10:00		3rd Sunday, homes of mem- bers, 7:30	Walter Morris, Clerk
Mt. Toby Mo. Meeting	Rt. 63, 4½ miles north of Amherst, MA (mail to RFD 3, Amherst 01002)	11:00 10:00, June-Aug.	10:00	2nd Friday, 7:30	Robert Myers, Clerk
Berkshire All'd. Meeting	Home of Lester Clarke, Rt. 102, South Lee, MA	11:00			Lester Clarke, Corres.
Greenfield Prep. Meeting	Home of Philip & Ruth Wood- bridge, Stone Ridge Lane, Greenfield, MA	10:00		2nd Sunday, 10:00	Gary Gustafson, Corres.
Northampton Worship Group	Home of Bruce Hawkins, 61 Henshaw Ave., Northampton, MA	10:00 except 4th Sun.			Bruce Hawkins, Corres.
New Haven Mo. Meeting	Faculty Room, Conn. Hall, Old Campus, Yale U., New Haven, CT	9:45	9:45 11:00 1st Sun., Seeker's Session	2nd Sunday, 11:00	Theodore Donovan, Clerk
New London Monthly Mtg.	Thames Science Center, Gallows Lane, New London, CT 06320	10:00	11:00	3rd Sunday, 11:00	Bettie Chu, Clerk
Storrs Monthly Meeting	57 Hunting Lodge Rd. Storrs, CT 06268	10:00	2nd & 4th Sundays	3rd Sunday, 11:15	Storrs & Shirley Olds, Clerks

Watertown Monthly Mtg.	Public Library, 470 Main St., Watertown, CT	10:00	1st Sunday, 11:00	Fred L. Wheeler, Clerk
Worcester- Pleasant St. Mo. Meeting	901 Pleasant Street, Worcester, MA 01602	11:00	2nd Sunday, 1:00	Joseph Zegarra, Clerk

DOVER QUARTERLY MEETING

Graham Chynoweth, Clerk. Held on the fourth Sunday in April at Dover, on the third Saturday in August at Weare (Henniker Meeting House), and on the fourth Saturday in October at Gonic. Worship at 11:00 a.m.; luncheon at noon; 1:00 p.m. business and program; except Dover where worship is at 10:30.

Concord Monthly Mtg.	Merrimack Valley Day Care Ctr., 19 N. Fruit St. (near corner of Pleasant St.), Concord, NH	10:15	9:45	Sun. after 2nd Sat.; after Worship	John Gfroerer, Clerk
Dover Monthly Meeting	Consult Clerk for place of Business Meeting (alternates Dover & Gonic)			Sunday before Q.M. following Worship; or at call of Clerk	Shirley Leslie, Clerk
Dover Prep. Meeting	141 Central Ave., Dover, NH 03820 (mail to P.O. Box 98)	10:30	10:45	2nd Tuesday, except July & August	Lydia Willits, Clerk
Gonic Prep. Meeting	Maple Street, Gonic, NH	10:30		1st Sunday, 11:45	Edith Teague, Clerk
West Epping All'd. Mtg.	Friend St., off Old Rt. 101, West Epping, NH	10:30			Fritz Bell, Corres.
Weare Monthly Meeting	Federated Church, North Weare, NH	9:45 except 11:00 July & August		1st Friday, homes of members, 8:00; in August at Henniker, 10:30	Henry T. Osborne, Clerk Quenton Huntley, Pastor
Henniker Mtg. for Worship	Henniker, NH	10:30			Henry T. Osborne, Corres.
Pittsfield Mtg. for Worship	Pittsfield, NH	10:30, 3rd Sunday in August			Henry T. Osborne, Corres.
Unity Meeting for Worship	Quaker City, 7 miles south of Claremont, Unity, NH	11:00 1st Sunday in August			Henry T. Osborne, Corres.

FALMOUTH QUARTERLY MEETING

Margaret Wentworth, Clerk. Held on the last Saturday in January, April, and October and the fourth Saturday in August. In January at Portland, April at Durham, August at Sandwich, NH. October at Windham. Worship and program at 10:30 a.m., business meeting at 1:00. Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Counsel held irregularly, Ramona Moore, Clerk

Meeting	Location	Sunday Worship	Sunday Study	Business Meeting	Clerk, Corres., Pastor
Durham Monthly Meeting	Rt. 125 between Freeport and Lisbon Falls, Durham, Maine	10:00	11:00	3rd Wed., 7:30	Nancy Marsteller, Clerk Peter Crysdale, Pastor Lois Wagner, Corres.
Lewiston Worship Group	Jewish Community Center, 134 College Ave., Lewiston, Maine	10:00 School year	10:15		
Parsonsfield Mo. Meeting	East Parsonsfield, Maine	Contact Clerk		Call of Clerk	Dorothy Bickford, Clerk
Portland Friends Meeting	1837 Forest Ave., Portland, ME	10:00 9:30 summer	10:00	1st Sunday, after Worship Call of Clerk	Glenice Hutchins, Clerk Marion I. Spaulding, Clerk
Sandwich Monthly Meeting	North Sandwich, NH	10:30 July & August			Ramona L. Moore, Clerk Calvin A. Libby, Pastor
Windham Monthly Meeting	Route 202, Windham Center, ME	9:00	10:30	3rd Sunday, after Worship	

NORTHWEST QUARTERLY MEETING

Frances Ross, Clerk. Held at Farm and Wilderness Foundation, Plymouth, Vermont, September 9-10, 1978; Middlebury College, Middlebury, VT, Dec. 2, 1978; Hanover, March 3, 1979; Farm and Wilderness Foundation, June 2-3, 1979. Meeting on Ministry and Counsel at 4:00 p.m., Saturday, September and June; 8:00 p.m., Friday, December and March, Elizabeth Colman, Len and Marianne Cadwallader, Clerks.

Bennington Monthly Mtg.	Monument Elementary School, W. Main, Bennington, VT (Mail to Box 221, Bennington 05201)	10:30	3rd Friday, homes of members, 7:30	Marion C. Smith, Clerk
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Burlington Monthly Mtg.	Back of 179 N. Prospect St., Burlington, VT	11:00	9:45	1st Sunday, after Worship (may vary)	Alice L. Wiser, Clerk
Hanover Monthly Meeting	29 Roper Ferry Rd. Hanover, NH 03755	10:45		2nd Sun., 1:00, Sept.-June	Joseph & Emily Connelly, Clerks
Middlebury Monthly Mtg.	Shannon Street School, Middlebury, VT	11:00		3rd Sunday, after Worship	Elizabeth Colman, Clerk
Monadnock Monthly Meeting	Odd Fellows Hall, West Peterborough, NH	10:30	10:30 except 3rd	3rd Sunday, 11:15	Philip A. Towle, Clerk
Keene All'd. Meeting	Contact Corres.	10:30			Charles Hildebrandt, Corres.
Plainfield Monthly Mtg.	In homes; Contact Clerk	10:30		3rd Sunday, after Worship	Mary Ellen W. Spencer, Clerk
Putney Monthly Meeting	The Grammar School, Hickory Ridge Rd., Putney, Vt	10:30		3rd Sunday, after Worship	Anne Fines, Clerk
S. Starksboro Monthly Mtg.	1 mile east of Bristol, Starksboro, VT	11:00, 2nd Sun., June-Oct. 10:30		Call of Clerk	William Birdsall, Clerk
Wilderness Monthly Meeting	N. entrance Farm & Wilderness Camps, Rt. 100, Plymouth, VT	10:30		1st Sun., after Worship	Kate K. Brinton, Clerk

RHODE ISLAND-SMITHFIELD QUARTERLY MEETING

William Penhallow, Clerk. Held on the third Saturday in October, April, and July. In October 1978 at Providence; April 1979 at Woonsocket; July at North Dartmouth. Meeting for worship at 11:00 a.m., business meeting at 1:30. Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Counsel at call of Clerk, Katherine Stern.

North Dartmouth Monthly Mtg.	State Road, Rt. 6, North Dartmouth, MA, between Old Westport Rd. & Tucker Rd.	11:00		1st Sunday, after Worship	Herbert H. Stevens, Jr. Clerk
Providence Monthly Mtg.	99 Morris Ave., Providence, RI	11:00	10:00	2nd Sunday, 1:30	John R. Kellam, Clerk
Conanicut Worship Group	Jamestown, RI	10:30 July & August			
Saylesville Prep. Meeting	Great Road, Saylesville, RI	10:30		Last Sunday, after Worship	Hezel Mayers, Clerk

Meeting	Location	Sunday Worship	Sunday Study	Business Meeting	Clerk, Corres., Pastor
Smithfield Monthly Mtg.	126 Smithfield Rd., Woonsocket, RI	11:00	10:00	Last Sunday, after Worship	Bessie Ewen, Clerk Michael Miladin, Pastor
Westerly Monthly Meeting	57 Elm St., Westerly, RI	11:00 10:30 June-Sept.	10:45	Last Sunday, 12:00	Anne H. Rounds, Clerk Debra Warren, Corres.
Worcester-Pleasant Street Monthly Mtg.	901 Pleasant St., Worcester, MA	11:00		2nd Sunday, 1:00	Joseph Zegarra, Clerk
SALEM QUARTERLY MEETING					
Acton Monthly Meeting	Harvey Wheeler Community Center, cor. Main & Church sts., W. Concord	10:00	11:00	1st Sunday, 11:00	John Barlow, Clerk
Amesbury Monthly Meeting	In homes; Contact Clerk	2:30 Wednesday 10:00		Call of Clerk	Dorothy J. Averill, Clerk
Amesbury Worship Group	Junction Friend & Greenleaf Sts., Amesbury, MA				Barbara Hildt, Corres.
Cambridge Monthly Mtg.	5 Longfellow Park, Cambridge, MA 02138	9:30 & 11:00 10:00 summer	9:30	2nd Thursday, 7:30	Larch F. Miller, Clerk Neil Allen, Resident Friend
Boston Mtg. for Worship	Beacon Hill Friends House, 6 Chestnut St., Boston, MA 02108	11:00	10:00	1st Sunday	
Circuit Prep. Meeting	40 Pond Rd., Jamaica Plain, MA 02130; 522-3745	5:00 6:00 Wed., summer 10:00			
Framingham Prep. Meeting	841 Edmands Rd., Framingham, MA				
Hingham Mtg. for Worship	New England Friends Home, 86 Turkey Hill Lane, Hingham, MA 02043	10:30		3rd Sunday, after Worship	William R. Rogers, Clerk
Pembroke Mtg. for Worship	Junction Rts. 139 & 53, N. Pembroke, MA	Contact Corres.			Richard Archer, Corres.

Lawrence Monthly Meeting	45 Avon St., Lawrence, MA	11:00 except July & August	10:00	1st Wed., 7:30	Ruth H. Mellor, Clerk
Lynn Monthly Meeting	72 Sillsbee St., off Broad St., Lynn, MA	11:00		Call of Clerk	Richard S. Gove, Clerk
Wellesley Monthly Meeting	26 Benvenue St., Wellesley, MA 02181	10:30	10:45	2nd Thurs., 7:45	Harold White, Clerk
SANDWICH QUARTERLY MEETING					
Ruth L. Howland, Clerk. Held on the third Saturday in January, April, July, and October. In October 1978 at Sandwich; January 1979 at Mattapoisett; April at Allen's Neck; July at Westport. Worship and business after lunch. Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Counsel at 10:30 a.m. the same day, Doris Ashley and Caleb Smith, Co-Clerks.					
Allen's Neck Monthly Mtg.	Horseneck Road, Dartmouth, MA	9:45	11:00	4th Wed., 8:00	Wilfred Morrison, Clerk Mary Sullivan, Executive Secretary
Dartmouth Monthly Mtg.	Smith Neck Road, South Dartmouth, MA	10:00	9:00	1st Wed., 7:30	Martha Elsaesser, Clerk Ralph Greene, Pastor
Apponegansett Mtg. for Worship	Apponegansett, near Russells Mills	9:00			
Marion Monthly Meeting	Art Center, Marion, MA	July & August 9:30		1st Tues., 4:30	Mark Simon, Clerk
New Bedford Monthly Mtg.	Spring Street, New Bedford, MA			2nd Sunday in March, June, Sept., Dec., 2:30	Cynthia J. Power, Corres.
New Bedford Prep. Mtg.	Spring Street, New Bedford, MA	11:00		Call of Clerk	Caleb A. Smith, Clerk Sydney Adams, Pastor
Long Plain Prep. Mtg.	Main Street, Acushnet, MA			3rd Sun., April, Oct., 12:00 at Mattapoisett;	Cynthia J. Power, Clerk
Mattapoisett Part. Mtg.	Route 6, 8 miles east of New Bedford, MA	11:00		3rd Wed., July, 5:30 at Long Plain	George A. Robinson, Pastor
Sandwich Monthly Meeting				1st Sunday, even months	Harold R. Hutcheson, Clerk

Meeting	Location	Sunday Worship	Sunday Study	Business Meeting	Clerk, Corres., Pastor
Sandwich Prep. Meeting	East Sandwich, MA, off Rt. 6A	11:00 July-August			David Douglas, Corres.
Yarmouth Prep. Meeting	58 N. Main St., South Yarmouth, MA	10:00	11:00	Last Sunday, after Worship	Barbara Day, Clerk
West Falmouth Prep. Mtg.	West Falmouth, MA	11:00		Last Sunday	Gregg Hibbs, Clerk
Swansea Monthly Meeting	Prospect St., Somerset, MA, 1 mile north of Route 6	9:30		Call of Clerk	Dorothy F. Williamson, Clerk
Westport Monthly Meeting	Main Road, Central Village, Westport, MA	10:45	7:30 PM	2nd Sunday, after Worship	Ellsworth B. MacAfee, Pastor Stewart Kirkaldy, Clerk Jean Kennison, Executive Secretary

VASSALBORO QUARTERLY MEETING

Douglas R. Hollingsworth, Clerk. Held on the first Saturday in February, May, August, and November. In February at North Fairfield, in May at West Bath, in August at South China, in November at Bar Harbor. Worship at 11:00 a.m., business meeting at 1:00. Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Counsel at call of Clerk, David Davis.

Acadia Monthly Meeting	29 Mt. Desert St., Bar Harbor, ME	6:30 PM 7:00 July & August		3rd Fri. every other month, Jan., etc.	David Wetherell, Clerk
China Monthly Meeting	Worship under care of Community Fellowship Church, South China, ME, off Route 202	10:00	11:15	Wed. after 2nd Thurs., 8:00	Marion E. Jones, Clerk David Van Strein, Pastor
Cobscook Monthly Meeting	Home of Harry & Audrey Snyder, Tamarack Farm, Rte. 189, Whiting, ME	10:00		2nd Sunday, after Worship	Ralph E. Cook, Clerk
Midcoast Monthly Meeting	Skidompha Library, Main St., Damariscotta, ME	10:00		3rd Friday, homes of members, 7:30	Nancy Booth, Clerk

Camden Worship Group	45 Union Street, Camden, ME	10:30	Susan Terrell, Corres.
North Fairfield Monthly Meeting	Rt. 104, 2½ mi. north of Fairfield Center, N. Fairfield, ME	10:30	3rd Sunday, 1:30 Carl Stevens, Clerk Lelia E. Taylor, Leona Stevens, Carleton Cates, Pastors Paul Cates, Contact
Oak Grove Monthly Mtg.	Oak Grove-Coburn School, Vassalboro, ME	10:00	2nd Sunday Enid Zollweg, Clerk
Orono Monthly Meeting	Maine Christian Association, College Ave., Orono, ME	10:00	3rd Sunday, 11:00 Benjamin H. Cates, Clerk
Vassalboro Monthly Meeting	Upper Pleasant St., East Vassalboro, ME	9:00 summer	Paul Cates, Pastor
Winthrop Monthly Meeting	Rt. 135, 4 miles east of Winthrop, in Winthrop Center, ME	10:00	David Farr, Clerk Richard Dyer, Pastor
Worship Groups			
Brooksville	Brooksville, ME, homes of members	11:00	Helen Lear & Tess Parrish, Corres.
Orland	Home of David Davis, River Rd., Orland, ME	10:00	David L. Davis, Corres.

FRIENDS MEETINGS IN NEW ENGLAND BELONGING TO OTHER YEARLY MEETINGS

Meeting	Location	Sunday Worship	Clerk or Corres.
Housatonic Monthly Meeting (NY)	Rt. 7, New Milford, CT 06776	10:00	Clerk, Box 43, New Milford, CT 06776
Monkton Ridge Monthly Mtg. (NY)	Monkton Ridge, Vermont	9:45	Jessie Thomas, Clerk
Newport, RI (EFC-E)	70 Bliss Mine Rd., Middletown, RI	11:00	Ernest Briggs, Clerk
Portsmouth, RI (EFC-E)	Middle Road at Hedley Street	11:00	Ruth Lowery, Clerk
Stamford-Greenwich Monthly Mtg. (NY)	572 Roxbury Rd. at Westover Rd., near Den Rd. Exit of Merrit Pkwy., Stamford, CT	10:00	Rosa Packard, Clerk
Wilton Monthly Meeting (NY)	317 New Canaan Road, Wilton CT	10:00	Marjorie Walton, Clerk

OTHER FRIENDS MEETINGS FOR WORSHIP IN NEW ENGLAND

Location	Hour of Worship	Contact Person
Adams, MA, Maple & Friend Sts.	First Sunday in September, 3:00	Mrs. William Bellman
Casco, Maine, Quaker Ridge	Each Sunday, July-August, 10:30	Betsy Maxfield Miller
Center Sandwich, NH	First Sunday; 5:00	Elizabeth Chalmers
Home of A. Burns Chalmers		
Little Compton, RI, West Main Road	Fourth Sunday in August, 3:00	Carlton Browell
Nantucket, MA	June 15-September 15, Meeting House on Fair St., 10:45; Sept. 15-June 15, Library of Maria Mitchell Library Association on Vestal St., 10:30	Renny A. Stackpole
Newport, RI, Cor. Farewell & Marlborough Streets	First and third Sundays, 10:00 in summer; 11:00 in winter, at 29 Thames St.	Esther Fisher Benson
South Uxbridge, MA, Rt. 146	No Worship set; Open Saturday & Sunday, 2-4 p.m., May-September	Virginia Wheelock
Unity, NH, Quaker City, 7 miles south of Claremont	First Sunday in August, 11:00	Henry T. Osborne

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Youth Secretary	MICHAEL CARTER
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	For Two Years	
Cushman Anthony	Thomas Hancock	Howard Reed
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Alex Haddad	Wayne Jones	

	For Three Years	
Donald Baker	Dorothy Meshenuk	Virginia Townsend
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	Jeannette Smith	

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Richard Dyer	Tess Parrish	Ruth Woodbridge

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Robert Agard	Eric Duplisea	Harold Hoge
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 Beatrice Wehmeyer
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For Three Years
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Minute 74 Committee

Clerk:

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Moses Brown School Board of Overseers

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Alternates: Anne Frantz, Thoreau Raymond

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Henry Stokes	Dinah Starr	Caleb A. Smith
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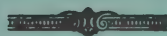
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The 1979 session of New England Yearly Meeting will be held at Wheaton College, Norton, Massachusetts, August 13-18.

The Permanent Board will meet at the call of the Clerk.

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Monday, August 13, 4:30 P.M.

1. New England Yearly Meeting of Friends gathered in annual session for its 319th year at Wheaton College, Norton, Mass.

2. . We worshipped together under the care of the Yearly Meeting Ministry and Counsel Committee. We feel again the anticipation of the renewal of friendships along with refreshment of the Spirit during our week together.

3. Visitors were welcomed: Raymond, Monica and Christian Williams under a traveling minute from Berlin Meeting, Germany; Kara Cole, Northwest Yearly Meeting, representing Friends United Meeting; Edwin and Dorothy Hinshaw, Iowa Yearly Meeting; Lila Cornell, Northern Yearly Meeting, representing Friends General Conference; John Warrington, Ohio Yearly Meeting, representing Olney Friends Boarding School; Jon Landau, Central Committee for Conscientious Objectors; Joy Krementz, from the International Seminars for Training for Non-Violent Action at Woolman Hill; Susan Zeichner, Cambridge Monthly Meeting, Clerk of Young Friends of North America; Sandra Faxon, worker with Mashpee Indians; Bruce Grimes and Geoffrey Kaiser, Unami Monthly Meeting, Philadelphia Yearly Meeting; Howard Alexander, Indiana Yearly Meeting, representing Friends United Meeting; Barbara Parsons, from Pendle Hill; Susan Bax, Canadian Yearly Meeting.

4. Michael Carter, Yearly Meeting Youth Secretary, introduced the Young Friends staff: Thomas Terrell, Dr. Hugh Morgan Hill (Brother Blue), Ruth Hill, Doris Ashley, Greg Williams, Frances Crowe, Paul Hood.

5. Paul Mangelsdorf, for Alice Wiser, Junior Yearly Meeting Co-ordinator, introduced the Junior Yearly Meeting staff: Roberta Nichols, Arts; Walter Limehouse, Susan Lane, Pre-school; Dieter Gomes, Frances Langworthy, Grades 1, 2, 3; Joy Nelson, Katie Taylor, Grades 4, 5, 6; Paul Mangelsdorf, Mary Sullivan, Grades 7, 8, 9.

6. The Clerk commended to us those who are working to make the Yearly Meeting run smoothly: Rosly Walter, registrar; Clarabel Marstaller, administrative secretary; Louis Marstaller, field secretary; Ellen Paullin, singing leader; Shirley Norton, Thomas Waring, hospitality and information desk; Sallie Gordon, Richard Ristow, daily news sheet editors; Margaret Wentworth, book store manager; Jeanne Whitaker, arrangements chairman.

7. Gregory Harrison presented the report of the Permanent Board.

PERMANENT BOARD

The Permanent Board has met three times since the end of the 1978 Yearly Meeting: on this campus last August, at Providence in March, and again on this campus this morning.

The current owners of the former Maple Grove Meeting property in Maine, the Orthodox Presbyterian Church, are released from a provision in their deed that they "shall not convey property" without giving the Yearly Meeting the right to purchase back said property. The Yearly Meeting Clerk and Treasurer were authorized to sign a quit claim deed.

The Church Extension Fund is to be combined with the Pittsfield and Varney Funds.

Income from the John Gardner Greene Fund will go to Cambridge Friends School in 1979 and to Lincoln School in 1980.

We are informed that North Dartmouth Meeting, formerly a part of Rhode Island-Smithfield Quarterly Meeting, is now a part of Sandwich Quarter.

We are forwarding to the Yearly Meeting memorial minutes for Allan Eister, Milton Hadley, Cornelius Kruse, Harvey Perry, and Phillip Woodbridge. We are informed of the death of Ernest Marsteller.

In routine business, we read and approved minutes 60-76 of the 1978 Yearly Meeting sessions, and in the course of the year approved suggestions from the Nominating Committee to fill ten vacancies. We approved writing two letters of introduction for traveling Friends.

It was noted that North Dartmouth Monthly Meeting has transferred from Rhode Island-Smithfield Quarter to Sandwich Quarter.

8. Thomas Hancock and William Watson presented the report of the Faith and Practice Review Committee. The recommendations in the report were approved, including the name change. The Committee is willing to receive suggestions from individuals as well as from Monthly Meetings. If this becomes unmanageable, submitting of suggestions will become more structured. The Committee is using the working paper, **Living With Oneself and Others**, as one resource among many. The draft revision presented in 1982 will already have been presented to and reviewed by the Monthly Meetings.

FAITH AND PRACTICE REVIEW COMMITTEE

In keeping with Minute 13 of 1978, New England Yearly Meeting, the Faith and Practice Review Committee sought the advice of all monthly meetings in the Yearly Meeting and had responses from nearly half. The Committee met twice during the spring to consider those responses and to plan the procedures it should follow, subject to Yearly Meeting approval.

On the basis of the monthly meeting responses and its own deliberations, the Committee will present the following recommendations to the 1979 Yearly Meeting:

1. that the name of the committee be changed to FAITH AND PRACTICE Revision Committee;
2. that the size of the committee be increased from its present 11 members to 15 members and that the Yearly Meeting Nominating Committee be asked to propose the four additional names, insuring in the process that all quarterly meetings and age groups be represented on the committee; and
3. a. that the revision of FAITH AND PRACTICE be carried out within the framework of the present FAITH AND PRACTICE;

- b. that the revision depend largely, though not exclusively, on the London CHRISTIAN FAITH AND PRACTICE as a primary resource for materials and examples for Part I;
- c. that the revision include the unique experiences and practices of New England Friends, including recent history;
- d. that the work of revision concentrate on
 - 1. supplying information and guidance on matters presently omitted,
 - 2. the Queries, and
 - 3. sections of Part II needing to be brought into line with current practices in New England.

If the Yearly Meeting approves these recommendations, the committee proposes to have a draft revision ready for preliminary approval at Yearly Meeting in 1982. That draft would be used in the following year, revised on the basis of that year's experience, and submitted for final approval in 1983.

9. Roll call of Representatives: ACADIA: Melba Wilson; ACTON: Elizabeth Muench; ALLEN'S NECK: Doris Ashley, Mary Sullivan, Cynthia Tardif; AMESBURY: Dorothy J. Averill; BENNINGTON: Thoreau Raymond, Robert Agard; BURLINGTON: Larry Abell, Karen Towle; CAMBRIDGE: Neil Allen, Ann Barclay, Allan Kohrman, Penny Moore, Patricia Watson; CHINA: Miriam J. Brown; COBSCOOK: George Fallon; CONCORD: Adelaide Nichols; DARTMOUTH: Marcia Glynn; DOVER: Anna Stabler, Sarah Dawson; DURHAM: Bernice Douglas, Charlotte White; HANOVER: Scott Drysdale, Patricia Higgins; HARTFORD: Beatrice Coward, Henry Baechler, Robert Brill; LAWRENCE: Wilfred Eagles; LYNN: Frances Gove; MIDCOAST: Claire Macgregor; MIDDLETOWN: Mary Connie Comfort, Susan Devokaitis; MT. TOBY: Margaret T. Milne; NEW HAVEN: Carl Newlin; NEW LONDON: Jana Noyes; NORTH DARTMOUTH: Katherine Stern; NORTH FAIRFIELD: Dana Roberts; ORONO: George Lear, Helen Lear, Eric Duplisea, Molly Duplisea; PORTLAND: Beatrice Wehmeyer, Constance Beal; PROVIDENCE: John Kellam, Grace Lamb, Richard Pieters, Richard Ristow; SANDWICH, MA: Amelie Scheltema; SMITH-FIELD: Ruth Smith; STORRS: Howard Reed, Elisabeth Ambellan; VASSALBORO: Ernest Weed, Margaret Cates; WEARE: W. Oscar Frazer, Ruth Woodbridge; WELLESLEY: Samuel Burgess, Jane Burgess, Finley Perry, Kathy Frantz, Shirley Norton; WESTERLY: Pat Gardella, Kathleen Bammer; WESTPORT: Jean Kennison; WINTHROP: Alice Whiting, Eleanor Bailey, Hazel Foster; WORCESTER-PLEASANT STREET: Margaret Angell, Elizabeth Bullerwell, George Furst.

Monday, August 13, 7:45 P.M.

10. Edwin E. Hinshaw, Headmaster of Sandy Spring Friends School, and our former Young Friends Secretary, presented the keynote address, "Few are Guilty, All are Responsible." As we work toward self-fulfillment and becoming responsible beings we "must be specifically involved in creating and not in just reacting." We need "to move beyond just analyzing ourselves and our values," beyond feeling guilty about things, beyond just feeling that love is the answer. Awareness of others, a warm and caring extension of ourselves, awareness which is practiced again and

again is a path toward responsibility. We need to seek out things of significance to be involved in, and to "lead a life which seeks to remove dehumanizing actions in ourselves and in our world."

Tuesday, August 14, 10:45 A.M.

11. An epistle from Sweden/Finland Yearly Meeting was read. As salt is changed in form and substance as it does its work, so may we be changed. Perhaps we should think not of going out to spread our ideas but to search for the Inner Light in others.

12. Virginia Towle, interim Clerk, presented the report of the Ministry and Counsel Committee. The newly added working party on Resources has compiled a list of conference sites in new England, has information on counseling sources, tries to assist persons traveling about New England on Friends business.

COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY AND COUNSEL

This year the Committee added a working party on Resources to the three working parties (Advancement/Outreach/Inreach; Family Life and Sexuality; and Spiritual Life) through which it has carried out many of its activities. Since the Committee as a whole wishes to keep in close touch with the working parties and not merely review and approve their actions routinely, our Committee sessions generally require a full day and cannot be coordinated with the Yearly Meeting Committee Days. While this does require more travel it has the added advantage of permitting us to gather at Meetinghouses which are not equipped to handle a Committee Day. This year we have met in Framingham and Dover as well as at Providence and Cambridge and briefly at Committee Day at Oak Grove-Coburn School.

The new Resources working party has struggled with the delineation of the scope of its responsibilities. The Advancement/Outreach/Inreach working party which found it difficult to get organized last year to handle its responsibilities in its first year, has been one of our most active working parties this year. They have held two all day and one weekend working meetings. They circulated, with the approval of the whole Committee, a statement on, "Our Mandate for Outreach" written by one of their coopted members. They are still concerned that their efforts to organize intervisitation and to encourage unorganized intervisitation under concern have not produced greater results. Friends are encouraged to consider their responsibilities to this aspect of our work and to volunteer their services to the working party for visitation, not necessarily on First Day mornings. The authorization given by the Yearly Meeting to coopt persons who are not members of Ministry and Counsel and also non-members of the Society of Friends to this working party has been a key factor in its active role. The Committee as a whole has felt very comfortable with and supportive of the activity of this working party.

The Committee conducted three retreats this year. A one day retreat with Alan Kolp as leader on "Looking for God in the Wrong Places" was held at Framingham in December. In January we held another in our very successful series of retreats on Being Single Again. In May we sponsored jointly with Providence Monthly Meeting a retreat on "Listening and Worship." Plans for other retreats were aborted by sickness or unavailability of desired leaders.

During the year the supply of our pamphlet on "Living With Oneself and Others" was exhausted and a new supply was printed; a substantial part of this new supply has already been sold.

Worship groups in Nashua and Milford, New Hampshire, have been encouraged and we continue our support of the Amesbury worship group and the care for the Yearly Meeting of the Amesbury Meetinghouse property. With financial assistance from Salem Quarterly Meeting and the Whittier Home we have continued with repairs and renovations to the Meetinghouse.

13. Margaret Angell presented the report of the State of Society. Several Friends expressed concern that the report

seemed to indicate that the use of spiritual forces to promote peace was being replaced by activities such as war tax refusal and nuclear protest, when, in fact, these activities are felt by most to be an outward expression of the spiritual commitment, and that this need not be and should not be an "either-or" situation. We were reminded that the report is not necessarily what we want to hear but is a reflection of what Meetings have actually reported. Because of uneasiness with some of the wording, the Ministry and Counsel Committee was asked to clarify the report. On Friday we approved the slightly revised report read by Douglas Cox.

STATE OF SOCIETY

NEW ENGLAND YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS

"All agree that we are primarily a Religious Society and that our meeting life should be judged in spiritual terms." This conclusion to the report of a new preparative meeting states an avowal often made, or suggested, in the past year.

Yet most meetings seem more at home with progress made in social concerns or friendly relationships than in reporting their dealings with the Holy Spirit. But some Down Easterners said: "We feel that we are sensitive to minding the Light we have, keeping our minds and hearts open to new leadings, and continue the desire to be good citizens of God's Kingdom."

Widespread is a central faithfulness to the distinctive experience and quest of the people called Quakers: a dedication, individual and corporate, to furthering the work of God as it is shown to us. "Wait on the Lord; be of good courage, and He shall strengthen thine heart," is an injunction finding response today in enlarged discussion of Silence, Listening and the Quality of Worship. Indeed, New England finds applicable a recent line in *The London Friend*: "From our roots vitality; from our vision, purpose."

Differences between pastoral and unprogrammed patterns of worship seem less rigid than formerly. Innovation is admired so long as foundations are not shaken. We note a growing tendency to encourage individual preparation for unprogrammed worship and increased sharing of the ministry in a number of the meetings which hold programmed services.

Birth and death are seen by more than one meeting as opportunity for community service and enrichment. Problems of old age, loneliness, broken marriages and overconsumption are being faced by Friends and dealt with as they find ways to help or guide.

In general, reports give a picture of a searching and growing Society seeking greater depth in and appreciation of worship and human relationships. Joy in the fellowship and loving concern among members of a "gathered" meeting is often expressed. If the old-time Quaker image seems blurred, quite often the new young face at Meeting turns out to possess the serenity and wisdom of departed elders and the ideas of new members to bear striking resemblance to the hard-won convictions of Friends of an earlier time.

Concern for the children and young people finds frequent expression. Some meetings seemed to be finding creative answers to problems of providing Christian and Quaker education for varied age groups. Others cited difficulty in meeting such needs and in integrating the young into the total life of the meeting. A number felt disturbed that so few young Friends request adult membership when the time comes to terminate Junior membership.

Several meetings have sent out questionnaires or held sessions of self-evaluation. New Monthly Meetings and worship groups are reported and a general sense of vitality and hopefulness prevails. Northern New England continues to draw pioneers of a simpler life-style to remote areas, and new Quaker meetings or worship groups have been formed as a result.

Actions of Yearly Meeting committees have stimulated concern for others. Such is evidenced by the organization of a committee on Sufferings to support Friends who incur financial loss or personal problems as a result of bearing witness

in the cause of Peace or other social concerns, and in the appointment by the Committee on Ministry and Counsel of a working party on Inreach-Outreach (Advancement) which has been active during the year. A more controversial issue, not yet resolved, is that of homosexuality which has been discussed in several meetings.

One major challenge — the New Call to Peacemaking — so eloquently brought to us by T. Canby Jones at our 1978 Yearly Meeting sessions, does not appear to have captured Friends' imagination as fully as was hoped when Friends, Mennonites and Church of the Brethren called a conference on the subject in October 1978. The difficult task of uniting spiritual forces to reverse the world's reliance upon war and preparation for war as instruments of national policy has found expression in practical actions such as war tax refusal and nuclear protest. The New Call continues to beckon Friends who would join in the "Lamb's War" whose instruments of policy are love.

The many hours spent in committee meetings by those on Yearly Meeting committees attests to a strong sense of commitment within our Society, and the reports received from constituent meetings this year give a keen sense that love and caring prevail. It would be an inspiration to take the time and have the patience to read through the mass of these reports, as their variety and feeling cannot be fully covered in this summary.

14. A traveling minute was read from Unami Monthly Meeting of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting for Bruce Grimes and Geoffrey Kaiser, traveling in the interests of "Friends for Lesbian and Gay Concerns." The Meeting approved that greetings be returned by the Clerk.

15. A request was received from "Friends for Lesbian and Gay Concerns" to have us "appoint at least two persons, preferably a man and a woman, to represent your Yearly Meeting in the deliberations and searchings which our organization undergoes throughout the year." We approved having the Nominating Committee make these appointments.

16. We approved sending our loving greetings to these regular attenders, homebound this year: Wendell Clepper, Melita Fisher, Henry Foster, Marion Jessell, Wayne Jones, Elizabeth Knowlton, Daisy Newman, George Selleck.

17. Westerly Meeting, through Rhode Island-Smithfield Quarterly Meeting, brought a concern that our opposition to compulsory registration for the Draft should be sent to Washington. We approved uniting this concern with a Peace and Social Concerns Workshop statement to be presented later this week.

Tuesday, August 14, 7:45 P.M.

18. A Memorial to Philip Dudley Woodbridge was read.

MEMORIAL TO PHILIP DUDLEY WOODBRIDGE

Philip Dudley Woodbridge, a valued member of Mount Toby Meeting, died on December 11, 1978, after a short period of illness, at age 83.

Philip has enjoyed a life rich in experiences beginning in Newton, Massachusetts. He enjoyed participation in many sports and his love of music led him from playing piano in high school to the violin in college and then the viola for many years.

Philip's long medical career began at Harvard Medical School, and then general practice found him becoming more expert in the field of inhalation anesthesiology. He was also a founder and president of the American Board of Anesthesiology.

In the aftermath of World War II Philip became, in his own words, strongly anti-war. He began his search for a spiritual home, which led him to the Society of Friends. He became a member of the Reading, Pennsylvania, meeting.

When he and his wife, Marion Maercklein, moved to Greenfield in 1950 to pursue a private practice, he became deeply involved in the Middle Connecticut Valley Monthly Meeting.

For twenty-eight years Philip enjoyed an enthusiastic involvement with Friends in New England; he was Clerk of the Middle Connecticut Valley Monthly Meeting, and a founding and long-time member of the corporation governing Woolman Hill. He was always active on the Peace and Social Concerns Committee over the years, attended American Friends Service Committee Avon Institutes, and was often seen in his greatcoat standing in peace vigils during the 60's. His concern for peace was carried out in many ways, one of the most noticeable being his continuing letters to the editors of *The New York Times* and *The Greenfield Recorder*. He also served on the Yearly Meeting Permanent Board and on that of Beacon Hill Friends House.

After Marion's death, Philip married Ruth Frazer Osborne, who has shared many interests with him, including the continuing support of New England Friends. Philip stressed a belief in the peace testimony in his day-to-day living. He had a clear sight of his principles and would not compromise them. He lived his life always guided by the belief that each day must clearly reflect those principles.

Philip often quoted the following lines from the *Sanskrit*:

"Look well to this day, for yesterday is but a dream, and tomorrow is only a vision. but today well-lived makes every yesterday a dream of happiness, and every tomorrow a vision of hope."

19. Johan Maurer, for the Correspondence Committee, read the epistle from Canadian Yearly Meeting. We like this line, "Faith, like the wind, is only visible in its actions."

20. Alison Oldham spoke to the report of the Peace and Social Concerns Committee. This Committee is urging Meetings to release Friends to travel for peace work.

PEACE AND SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE

The New Call to Peacemaking, consideration of the issue of war tax resistance and establishment of a peace tax fund, and the relationship between Friends and the AFSC — these were the three major areas where the Peace and Social Concerns Committee concentrated its efforts this year.

In the previous two years we had emphasized visits to local Meetings by PSC Committee members. This year we especially encouraged numerous local visits by those who had attended the October national conference on the New Call to Peacemaking at Green Lake, Wisconsin, to try to bring home to Friends in our region the message of that significant event. Copies of the Findings of the Green Lake conference were mailed to every Monthly Meeting, and discussion of them encouraged. Although it is impossible to measure results, we think the increased levels of local activity in witnessing for peace and disarmament, noted in several parts of New England (for example, numerous ecumenical disarmament conferences), bear some relation to the New Call initiative. One of our members attended the New Call legislative seminar in Washington in May, presenting in person our concerns for peace to several members of Congress from New England. Plans are now being made for a fall New Call to Peacemaking conference in cooperation with New York Yearly Meeting and with Brethren and Mennonites, to determine a focus for new action.

Friends at the 1978 Yearly Meeting referred the proposal to establish a NEYM Peace Tax Fund to local Meetings for study and discussion, and asked the PSC Committee to help in that process. We prepared a packet of discussion materials that was sent, along with the proposal, to every Monthly Meeting. Several members of our Committee, along with other Friends especially concerned with war tax resistance, travelled extensively within the Yearly Meeting during the fall and winter, discussing the proposal in depth with a number of Meetings. Other Meetings conducted their own studies, several using the slide show, "Conscience and War Taxes," which the Committee purchased and circulated for such use. As responses from the local Meetings to the peace tax fund proposal came in to the Yearly Meeting Clerk, a working group, appointed in accordance with last year's Minute 68, studied the responses. In light of

the replies received, which were generally favorable to the proposal with a few suggested changes, the working group drafted slightly modified proposals, which were approved by the full PSC committee and are to be submitted to this session of the Yearly Meeting.

In the effort to build closer communication and cooperation between Friends Meetings and the American Friends Service Committee, several administrative steps have been taken, such as improved coordination in scheduling events (even though some problems inevitably remain), and better notification to Friends' groups when vacant AFSC positions need to be filled. Gatherings were held at Storrs and at Portland at which members of Friends Meetings were invited to meet and talk with some AFSC staff and committee people. We felt that a sincere beginning had been made in what must be a continuing process of reaching out to each other for better understanding. We are suggesting that it could be very helpful if Quarterly Meetings might, from time to time, schedule similar programs of dialogue with AFSC staff and committee members.

The Peace and Social Concerns Committee met for four full day sessions during the year; attendance ranged between eight and 17, averaging around 13. We feel satisfied that having the Committee composed of representatives of local Meetings works reasonably well, and better than other methods, to keep communication alive between the Committee and local Meetings.

Besides the three main areas of work already mentioned, the Committee was particularly concerned this year with the likelihood of reactivation of the draft, and with ways to counterbalance the influence of ubiquitous military recruiters. We alerted Friends to the need for legislative actions, and for education of our own young people on this issue.

As more and more Friends appear to be willing to make a public witness for peace and as the forms such witness may take may vary from statements, to persuasion, to civil disobedience, to tax refusal, to use of personal or unfamiliar symbols; and as the issues about which we are witnessing are often both complex and emotional, the Peace and Social Concerns Committee is mindful of the need Friends have to share their leadings with one another. When we share with other Friends, on a deep spiritual level, how we are moved to witness for peace, we can both test the validity of our leadings and provide opportunities to support and strengthen each other's witness. Therefore, the Committee suggests that Meetings consider providing (and individual Friends consider asking for) committees of clearness to assist Friends contemplating a witness for peace that is unusually demanding in any way.

We hope that our Committee, in addition to its own specific activities, may serve also as a spark to ignite other worthy efforts and to illuminate the essential link between our spiritual search and our social action.

21. The Peace and Social Concerns Committee presented a minute on Capital Punishment which was approved.

CAPITAL PUNISHMENT

We of the New England Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends, mindful of the mounting movement to resort to the use of capital punishment, declare once again our unwavering opposition to capital punishment.

We base our opposition upon our fundamental belief in the sanctity of life. Since we believe that there is in everyone that of God, to which the human conscience can respond, there are no circumstances whatever in which reverence for life can be disregarded.

We call for a redoubling of efforts, by all concerned people, to identify and understand the causes of crime, and to work diligently to eradicate those causes. Prevention, not punishment, offers the only genuine protection for the public.

The taking of a human life by the State not only dehumanizes those who condone this action, but also fosters the very brutality which it seeks to prevent. Our only security lies in our obedience to God's commands.

22. The Peace and Social Concerns Committee proposed the establishment of a New England Friends Peace Tax Fund, first introduced at Yearly Meeting in 1978 and discussed by Monthly Meetings during the past year. The proposal was approved.

NEW ENGLAND FRIENDS PEACE TAX FUND

Certain members and attenders of New England Yearly Meeting, having held the matter of war taxes to the Light, are moved to refuse payment of taxes which would otherwise be used for war preparation. Wishing to stand in unity with these members and attenders in their efforts to faithfully maintain Friends' peace testimony, and in recognition and support of efforts other groups have made to oppose war taxes, the Yearly Meeting establishes the New England Friends Peace Tax Fund, which it agrees to hold in trust upon the following terms and conditions:

1) Any member or regular attender of a Monthly Meeting of New England Yearly Meeting who conscientiously objects to participation in war, and who withholds payment of taxes to the federal government because of conscience, may deposit the money withheld in the New England Friends Peace Tax Fund. The Yearly Meeting intends neither to encourage nor discourage such action by the establishment of this Fund, but leaves it to the individual conscience of each member or attender.

2) The money so deposited in this Fund will be placed in a savings account in a local bank in the name of New England Yearly Meeting, Trustee, and may be withdrawn on the signature of the Treasurer or Clerk of the Committee on Sufferings of the Yearly Meeting.

3) The income from all such deposits, and the deposits themselves if and when they become completed gifts to the Yearly Meeting as hereinafter provided, shall be used by the Yearly Meeting for life-affirming activities consistent with Friends' principles, but none shall be used for the operating budget of the Yearly Meeting.

4) By depositing money in the Fund, the individual disposes of money withheld from taxes in a manner which will preclude personal profit or enrichment from it, and will ensure that as far as possible the money will be used for peaceful work.

5) If the government demands that the Yearly Meeting surrender money deposited by an individual, the Yearly Meeting will do so under protest.

6) If, as we hope, the World Peace Tax Fund bill now considered by Congress is enacted into law, an individual may request the Yearly Meeting to transfer to the World Peace Tax Fund the money he or she deposited in the New England Friends Peace Tax Fund to the extent permitted by law.

7) If the government seizes money from the individual because of non-payment of war taxes, that person may be reimbursed from the Fund upon request up to the amount he or she has deposited or the amount seized whichever is less.

8) Any money which has been on deposit for five years without the occurrence of

(a) its being seized, levied upon or otherwise demanded by the Internal Revenue Service, or

(b) its being returned to the depositor to replace other funds seized or levied upon by the Internal Revenue Service, or

(c) the Yearly Meeting having been notified in writing that such a levy or demand is impending

shall become the property of the New England Yearly Meeting of Friends as a gift by the original depositor. The depositor shall be notified of the completion of the gift at that time, by the Treasurer.

9) The terms of this trust may be altered or revoked by action taken at a Yearly Meeting session which shall be at least sixty days after notice by mail is sent to each person from whom a deposit is then held. Upon revocation any money remaining in the fund which is on deposit will be returned to the depositor.

In accordance with the provisions of the New England Friends Peace Tax Fund set forth above, I deposit

_____ (\$ _____)
with the New England Yearly Meeting of Friends.

(Signature)

(Date)

Deposit accepted by New England Yearly Meeting of Friends.

Treasurer

Date of Acceptance

23. New England Friends Peace Tax Fund Implementation. NEW ENGLAND FRIENDS PEACE TAX FUND IMPLEMENTATION

[Not part of the trust agreement]

Persons wishing to deposit money in the New England Friends Peace Tax Fund may do so by making a check payable to New England Yearly Meeting, Trustee. The Treasurer shall care for the Fund in a separate savings account, and shall keep records showing depositor, amount, date of deposit. The Treasurer and/or the Clerk of the Committee on Sufferings shall be empowered to sign any necessary documents or checks in connection with the Tax Fund. Requests for reimbursement shall be considered by the Committee on Sufferings, who shall direct the Treasurer to take appropriate action. If the government makes demand of the Yearly Meeting for payment of a depositor's tax monies, the Committee on Sufferings will act in conformance with this minute, and will report the matter to the next annual session of the Yearly Meeting. The Committee on Prejudice and Poverty will disburse income from the Fund and completed gifts resulting from deposits. The Committee on Sufferings shall make an annual report to the Yearly Meeting on the condition of the Fund and correspondence from depositors.

24. An accompanying minute on counseling for tax refusers was approved.

COUNSELING FOR TAX REFUSERS

Monthly and Quarterly Meetings of New England Yearly Meeting are encouraged to provide a Clearness Committee for any member or attender who is contemplating refusal of part or all of his or her federal income tax, because to contribute to the United State military budget would be a denial of his or her spiritual beliefs and conscience. Such a Clearness Committee should offer needed spiritual support and assistance to the individual in his or her decision-making.

The Peace and Social Concerns Committee of New England Yearly Meeting is prepared to provide information and counsel, upon request, to anyone who is considering such actions, or to assist any Clearness Committee which is established to help individuals with these concerns. Written materials, as well as resource people, are available to help deepen understanding of the spiritual, personal, practical, and legal implications of tax resistance. Concerned individuals who have been led to this course of action are also encouraged to share their experiences.

Monthly Meetings should notify the Committee on Sufferings of New England Yearly Meeting about any of their members or attenders who suffer hardships, or whose family suffers hardships, as a result of their peace witness.

25. An epistle from London Yearly Meeting for Sufferings, supporting and commending our continuing activities for peace, was read.

26. Martha Gordon presented the report for the Committee on Sufferings. We approved a proposal to increase the Committee by three members appointed at large. Questions were raised about the operation of the Committee. We approved the idea that Monthly Meetings should be the first resort for help. This committee, operating on voluntary contributions only, will encourage Monthly Meeting support for sufferers, and will serve as a last resort for financial help.

COMMITTEE ON SUFFERINGS

At Yearly Meeting in 1978, Minute 55 directed that a Committee on Sufferings be formed and a Fund for Sufferings be established, "to lend spiritual and material support to Friends who may suffer because of their faithfulness to our testimonies," who "act boldly and positively for peace."

Before the end of that Yearly Meeting, three members of this new Committee were appointed by their respective Committees, in accordance with the Minute, but it took until December for the full Committee to be constituted. These slow-grinding wheels put us considerably behindhand. In the intervening time, Paul Hood was sentenced to prison for two months for an act of civil disobedience at the Pentagon, protesting the deployment of the cruise missile. Because this committee was not yet functioning, his own Meeting, and other Friends, stepped into the breach and did what they could, but our ignorance of what an efficient support system should consist of, plus various breakdowns in communication, prevented us from being as effective as we might have been.

We achieved our first proper meeting on Committee Day in Providence on March 10. We invited Paul Hood to meet with us to share his prison experience in the hope that it would help us to cope better with future such situations. The following is excerpted from his talk with us:

Prisoners incarcerated for civil disobedience are treated like any other prisoners, but conditions and treatment vary from prison to prison. Friends who would be of help need to become familiar with the particular state or federal regulations regarding visiting and other communication. No rights or privileges can be taken for granted, even though they may be on the books, and we need to be aware of this and be prepared to contact both political and prison authorities when injustices occur. Specific legal aid may be needed as well as spiritual and financial support. Contact with Meetings in other states should be made so that prisoners at a distance can be visited by local Friends. Letters are important, even from people who do not personally know the prisoner. The release date should be known and the prisoner helped when necessary with transportation to his home, since it is provided by the court only from the court to the prison and back again. Readjustment to ordinary life, even after a short incarceration, is difficult; feelings of disorientation, separation, and alienation can be overcome only by loving and caring interaction of Friends with the released prisoner.

Other Friends' cases might be cited but we do not have definite, accurate information about them. This is the kind of information the committee wants from Meetings. We would like to begin making a record of such witnessing. A number of Friends were among those arrested for civil disobedience at the protest of the Trident so-called launching "celebration" in Groton, Conn., on April 7. The charges against them were eventually dismissed, though some were held in jail before their hearings. Friends, including some members of this Committee, supported each other throughout this period, but the Committee's formal assistance was not required. While the dismissal of charges was personally advantageous, some felt that they had thereby been denied an opportunity to explain their positions and plead the cause of disarmament in the courts.

Because of the close connection between nuclear weapons and nuclear power, we have been asked if we are prepared to support Friends who may be jailed or suffer other consequences as a result of protest of nuclear power. Though Friends differ in their opinion of whether or not such protest might be strictly construed as direct action for peace, the Yearly Meeting did adopt a Minute in 1976 against the development of nuclear power. The Committee needs some clarification on this, bearing specifically on the point of financial support, since non-material support could certainly be given. Friends have been involved in most of the protests against the Seabrook and Pilgrim plants, and some have served jail sentences, but no requests for support have come to us.

Early in May the Committee sent a letter to all Meetings in New England, informing them of our existences, purpose, and membership, and requesting information about Meetings and individuals engaged in work for peace, including war tax refusal. We also asked for support in the shape of Friends who might be willing to serve as resource persons for the Committee, most specifically for

legal assistance and prison visiting. We encouraged Meetings to help with the clearness of Friends considering acts of civil disobedience, including tax refusal, suggesting that a small committee might be formed, either initiated by the person concerned or offered by the Meeting, for the purpose of exploring motivations and anxieties. All Friends involved and the Meeting as a whole might well benefit from such exploration, whether or not they agree with the decision finally reached by the individual.

We wish to be of service and support to Friends who are making major commitments of their time and energy in witnessing for peace. We know that there are Friends involved, and are pleased if their primary support comes from their own Meetings, but this committee wants to know who and where they are, whether or not they need our help in any specific way.

Wednesday, August 15, 10:45 A.M.

27. The epistle from Northwest Yearly Meeting was read.

28. Louis Marstaller, Field Secretary, spoke to his printed report. He emphasized the difficulty of finding people to do the work of the Meeting in many Monthly Meetings. The success of the several new Monthly Meetings formed last year should be an encouragement and example to the whole Yearly Meeting. He noted that Vassalboro Quarter has recently recognized a new Monthly Meeting, Narramissic Valley.

FIELD SECRETARY

Visiting Friends, committees and Meetings is both rewarding and frustrating. You are lifted by the worship and fellowship, but many times unable to help with the genuine concerns of the Meeting. Some of the concerns are: finding a clerk, finding Sunday school teachers, having a committee follow through on a decision, doing an adequate public explanation of what the Meeting or committee is all about, visitation, getting the right pastor or secretary, and making all those appointments to Yearly Meeting committees.

One of the high points of last year was attending the National Conference on the New Call to Peacemaking. We met with Brethren and Mennonites to seek better ways of working separately, together, and with other churches on peacemaking as a basic and vital part of the Christian message and way of life.

Again this year I have spent some time on property matters like continued improvements on the Amesbury Meetinghouse, the needs of China Camp, and the Friends Home at Hingham.

In January Milton Hadley, my father-in-law, died in Indiana, and in June Ernest Marstaller, my father, died. Attending to arrangements and family concerns has taken some of my time from Yearly Meeting work. We should remember Milton Hadley was the prime mover in setting up China Camp for the Yearly Meeting. We all miss the vision and support of these and others who have gone this last year.

There is much to do to help our Meetings, communities, and ourselves to follow the Great Commandment to "love the Lord thy God . . . and thy neighbor as thyself," and we all need to be at the task.

Louis Marstaller

29. Louis Marstaller presented the Statistical Report. The figures indicate a decline in total membership and a decline in average attendance at Meetings for Worship. See pages 48-49.

30. Clarabel Marstaller, Administrative Secretary, spoke to her printed report. She asked for news and pictures for the *New England Friend*. Tensions in our united Yearly Meeting are minimized by "keeping the faith." Expressions of appreciation for Louis' and Clarabel's work for the Yearly Meeting came from all parts of the room. We feel bound together through our love for them and their care for us.

ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY

The work done at the Yearly Meeting Office has included editing, publishing, and distributing four issues of the **New England Friend**, preparation for Committee Days, sending out minutes for some of the committees, filling orders for **Faith and Practice** and a few other publications handled by the Office, overseeing the printing of the minute book and its distribution, up-dating the membership lists provided by Meetings and the mailing list determined by these lists, and preparing the mimeographed reports, etc., for the Yearly Meeting sessions. The **New England Friend** is mailed to about 2600 addresses; bulk mailings for committees for fund raising purposes go to about 2300 addresses. A number of mailings go to local Meetings and this year Meetings were asked to consider and respond to questions posed by two of our committees.

I was able to do some visitation with Louis and on my own in the Yearly Meeting and feel better acquainted with Meetings and individuals.

Volunteers from Durham, Midcoast, and Portland Meetings have helped with bulk mailings and other tedious tasks, for which I thank them.

Clarabel Marstaller

31. Margaret Cates, Clerk, spoke to the printed report of the Executive Council. She noted the fund set up to alleviate the rising cost of attendance at committee sessions during the year. The recommendations to continue Louis Marstaller as Field Secretary, Clarabel Marstaller as Administrative Secretary and Michael Carter as Youth Secretary were approved.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

At our four Executive Council meetings we have had regular reports from all committee chairmen and Yearly Meeting staff. We have been particularly interested in following the development of the new program for the Youth Secretary and his close relationship with the Christian Education and China Camp Committees. Our Field Secretary and Yearly Meeting Clerk have kept us informed regarding plans for Yearly Meeting.

A new travel fund has been set up for those needing assistance in attending committees on Committee Day. All interested are urged to contribute to this fund in order that attendance on committees not be a financial hardship on anyone. Contributions should be sent to the Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting.

Ways of establishing an older Young Friends group in Yearly Meeting are being studied. It was recommended that some adults meet with the Young Adult Friends (18-35 age group) to discuss ways of integrating this group with the Yearly Meeting.

Appreciation has been expressed for the dedicated work of our Yearly Meeting staff. We recommend that Louis Marstaller be continued as Field Secretary for the coming year and that his salary show a cost of living increase of 5%.

We recommend that Michael Carter be continued as Youth Secretary and that his salary be 10% above that paid the former Youth Secretary in his last full year.

We recommend that Clarabel Marstaller be continued as Administrative Secretary and that her salary be increased by 5%.

32. Katherine Perry, Friends Co-ordinator of the Moses Brown School Overseers, spoke to her printed report. She presented David Burnham, Headmaster, who gave a brief description of the School's programs. He believes students are influenced by the Quaker aspects of the School. The important task of a whole School self-examination is already underway in preparation for an evaluation by the New England Association of Secondary Schools and Colleges.

FRIENDS CO-ORDINATOR FOR MOSES BROWN SCHOOL

Moses Brown School has had a good year. Installation exercises for our new

headmaster were held during October. David Burnham gave a very fine speech accepting his responsibilities. The school community is very happy with the leadership provided by David Burnham.

This is a time when all independent schools view the declining school population and the high cost of education with apprehension. But our enrollment has held up very well. 675 students were enrolled in the school and 124 of these were girls, 26 from minority groups.

The Board wants to have more open discussion at our meetings and more involvement by Overseers and feels that a slightly smaller board would help create a more actively involved board. We have had a board of 35 members and this year we asked the Yearly Meeting Nominating Committee for fewer appointments to make a board of 31 members. In considering ways of improving our efficiency, the Board is asking if the Yearly Meeting Nominating Committee could make its recommendations for appointment to the Moses Brown Board of Overseers to the Permanent Board of the Yearly Meeting at a spring meeting for approval. If we knew in the spring who was going to serve on the Board, it would be possible to get our committees for the academic year set up well ahead of time. Committees could start the year's work earlier and be more effective.

While there are problems running a small boarding department (49 boarders including 13 girls), it adds a dimension to the School that enriches the entire School community. We recognize David Burnham's strong commitment to boarding and believe he should be given several years to see if he can solve some of the major problems associated with the residential program. The relatively small size of the Boarding Department makes for a close knit group, providing an example to the day students that nationality and color do not pose barriers to close friendships.

The Board amended its by-laws to clarify the nominating process for board membership. When Lincoln School was still under the direct care of the Yearly Meeting, there was a Coordinating Committee for the two schools. Members of this committee made suggestions to the Yearly Meeting Nominating Committee for appointments to the Lincoln School and the Moses Brown Boards of Overseers. This Co-ordinating Committee has been laid down. Our amended by-laws state that the Moses Brown Board of Overseers shall have a Nominating Committee whose members shall present a list of names for Board membership to the Yearly Meeting Nominating Committee in January (more names should be proposed than there are expected places to be filled).

The Yearly Meeting Nominating Committee shall consider these names and either approve them or in the case of disapproval, work out with the Board of Overseers Nominating Committee some substitute names which will be satisfactory to both groups. The Board of Overseers Nominating Committee shall decide on priorities and then ask a sufficient number of persons whose names are approved if they are willing to serve.

This list of final nominees shall then be returned to the Yearly Meeting Nominating Committee for submission by it for approval by the Permanent Board or the Yearly Meeting.

The Friends Co-ordinator shall be a member of the Moses Brown Nominating Committee and act as the link of communication with the Yearly Meeting Nominating Committee.

The completion of making Hawes Gymnasium into a new library has been a tremendous asset to the school. Study space was badly needed and students are making good use of this fine new facility. The Board has decided to rename the building the Walter R. Jones Library in recognition of and gratitude for the large bequest Walter Jones made to Moses Brown School. The Hawes name will be kept by calling the addition to the Field House the Hawes Gym.

Katherine B. Perry

MOSES BROWN SCHOOL
Statement of Current Revenues and Expenditures
Year Ended June 30, 1978

Revenues

Educational and general:		
Student fees		\$1,799,816
Endowment income		25,648
Gifts		9,720
Other		31,910
Total educational and general		<u>\$1,867,094</u>
Student aid - endowment income		18,632
Auxiliary enterprises:		
Residences and food service	\$ 156,885	
Books and supplies	62,078	
Total auxiliary enterprises		<u>218,963</u>
Total current revenues		<u>\$2,104,689</u>

Expenditures

Educational and general:		
General administration and general expense	362,146	
Summer School programs	40,840	
Instruction	892,425	
Operation and maintenance of physical plant	320,152	
Total educational and general	<u>1,615,563</u>	
Student aid	177,772	
Auxiliary enterprises:		
Residence and food service	\$153,229	
Books and supplies	55,889	
Total current expenditures	<u>209,118</u>	<u>2,002,453</u>
Excess of Revenue over Expenditures		<u>102,236</u>
Appropriation to unexpended plant funds		<u>(88,807)</u>
Excess of Revenues over Expenditures and Appropriation		<u>13,429</u>
Fund balance, July 1, 1977		<u>74,694</u>
		<u>88,123</u>
Write off prior years annual-giving pledges receivable		<u>(20,529)</u>
Fund Balance, June 30, 1978		<u><u>\$ 67,594</u></u>

Balance Sheet**June 30, 1978****ASSETS****Current Funds:****General:**

Cash - checking accounts	\$ 3,820	
Cash - savings accounts	136,102	
Bank repurchase agreements	<u>110,000</u>	\$ 249,992
Accounts receivable:		
Students	8,109	
Other	<u>1,652</u>	9,761
Pledges receivable - 1978-79 Drive		19,253
Inventories, at cost		25,546
Prepaid expenses and deferred charges		<u>22,839</u>
Total general		<u><u>327,321</u></u>

Restricted:

Cash - savings	24,032
Bank certificate of deposit	282,145
Bank repurchase agreement	32,693
Total restricted	<u>338,870</u>
Total current funds	666,191

Endowment Fund:

Cash - Dwight D. Owen Memorial Fund	5,448
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Plant Funds:**Investment in Plant:**

Land and buildings (less allowance for depreciation on building of \$199,549)	2,355,446
Furniture and equipment (less allowance for depreciation of \$165,069)	<u>290,694</u>
Total investment in plant and total plant fund	<u>2,646,140</u>
	<u>\$3,317,779</u>

LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES**Current Funds:****General:**

Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 40,319
Funds held in safekeeping for School organizations	6,675
Deferred income - registration fees, annual - giving and Summer Program tuitions received in advance	212,733
Fund balance	<u>67,594</u>
Total general	327,321

Restricted:

Fund balance	<u>338,870</u>
Total current funds	666,191

Endowment Fund:

Fund balance	5,448
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Plant Funds:**Investment in plant:**

Bank loans - R.I. Hospital Trust National Bank:	
Mortgage	\$63,874
Equipment purchase	<u>3,050</u>
	66,924
Net invested in plant	<u>2,579,216</u>

Total investment in plant and total plant fund	<u>2,646,140</u>
	<u>\$3,317,779</u>

The Board of Overseers
Moses Brown School
Providence, Rhode Island

We have examined the balance sheet of Moses Brown School at June 30, 1978 and the related statement of current revenues, expenditures, appropriation and fund balance and the statement of changes in fund balances for the year then ended. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances, except that we were not present at the inventory-taking at the beginning of the year. . . .

In our opinion the accompanying financial statements present fairly the financial position of Moses Brown School at June 30, 1978 and the results of its operations and changes in its fund balances for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year except for the change described in the preceding paragraph.

Ward, Fisher & Company

September 19, 1978

Certified Public Accountants

33. Marcia Glynn, Nominating Committee Clerk, presented a recommendation from the Committee that members of the Board of Overseers of Moses Brown School may serve three consecutive three-year terms, but not more than nine consecutive years total. This was approved.

34. The list of nominations for Moses Brown School Overseers was approved.

Wednesday, August 15, 7:30 P.M.

35. A Memorial to Milton H. Hadley was read by Finley Perry.

MEMORIAL TO MILTON H. HADLEY

Milton H. Hadley, a member of Plainfield, Indiana, Meeting, died January 28, 1979, at the age of 80. Born in Philadelphia and raised in Indiana, he earned degrees in history from Earlham College and the University of Chicago. He was a teacher at Friends Academy, Vermilion Grove, Illinois, and at William Penn College in Iowa. He was superintendent of White's Institute in Wabash, Indiana, a center for court-remanded youth. Later he was director of the Quaker Hill Conference Center in Richmond. He served pastorates in Western, Indiana, North Carolina and New England Yearly Meetings. After his stay in New England, he was secretary of Christian Social Concerns of Five Years Meeting (now Friends United Meeting), and concluded his career as the secretary of the Orlando, Florida, Meeting. He is survived by his wife, Freda.

He first came to New England in 1919 as organizer of a Young Friends conference held in New Hampshire. In 1951 he returned, as pastor of Durham, Maine, Meeting, and as Field Secretary of the Yearly Meeting, a position he held until 1957. He was a prime mover in the establishment of China Camp.

While working for the Five Years Meeting he had opportunity for expression of his social concerns — for peace (he was part of a delegation that met with President Eisenhower), for racial justice and for abstinence from alcohol. "When he prayed, he prayed as if he was on good terms with the Lord. He lived as if he was on good terms with everyone."

36. The Clerk read a cable received from our delegates to the Friends World Committee for Consultation Triennial session meeting this week in Gwatt, Switzerland, "This beats Norton. Loving greetings."

37. Julie Forsythe and Thomas Hoskins, formerly workers at Quang Ngai hospital in Vietnam, told of their recent three month visit to Malaysia for the American Friends Service Committee. Through both word pictures and facts and figures we felt the immense suffering throughout the region, the despair, the political confusion, and the need for a continuing effort from all to respond.

Thursday, August 16, 10:45 A.M.

38. We were visited by the entire Junior Yearly Meeting. Alice Wiser, Junior Yearly Meeting Co-ordinator, spoke on this year's theme — The Family. She enumerated the many kinds of family structures including families without children, grand-

parents and children, parent and foster child, extended families, the larger Quaker family and the entire human family of God. What is essential to keep a family afloat? The Juniors gave us their answers, written on animals which they attached to Noah's Ark. We were given "planks" to add to the Ark — to be filled with ideas necessary for the nurturing of, caring for and commitment to family.

39. Great appreciation was expressed for the lively and imaginative leadership of Alice Wiser in the Junior Yearly Meeting over the past three years.

40. Miriam Brown, Dorothy Averill, and Moses Bailey were named as our representatives to Junior Yearly Meeting.

41. Thomas Terrell, Camp Director, presented a slide show of activities at our Yearly Meeting China Camp.

FRIENDS CHINA CAMP COMMITTEE

Volunteering to serve as Camp Registrar is Tracy Booth. This is part of our long range goal to lessen the amount of time the Youth Secretary devotes to the China Camp phase of his work.

In the future, we hope to increase the scope of the camp director's position to include the planning of programs and recruitment of staff during the off season. Increasing the spread of ages of the camp staff is another one of our goals.

Running the camp this summer is Tom Terrell from North Carolina. For two years in the past he has been a counselor, so he is well acquainted with China Camp.

For the annual Memorial Day work weekend at the end of May 1979, the Committee is planning to revamp existing facilities to provide one good-sized maintenance building. Repairing the dock, planting the vegetable garden and general maintenance are planned also.

Groups of Friends from Cambridge and Worcester meetings, as well as Young Friends, are planning to take advantage of the camp facilities when summer camp is not in session this year, and we encourage other groups to do the same.

Friends China Camp Financial Statement for Year Ending May 31, 1979

June 1, 1978 Cash on Hand		\$ 2,497.71
Income:		
Regular Camp Sessions	\$ 8,103.94	
Other conference use	234.00	
Contributions*	645.00	
Yearly Meeting Allotment	1,000.00	
Other Income	42.12	
Total Income		10,025.06
Total Funds Available for Use		\$12,522.77
Expenditures:		
Salaries	\$ 5,120.00	
Food	2,507.72	
Insurance	972.00	
Utilities	578.47	
Maintenance, Supplies, & Repairs	743.08	
Travel Expense	525.25	
Program Supplies	275.32	
Promotion & Postage	116.05	
Other Expense	256.26	
Total Expenditures		11,094.15
May 31, 1979 Balance		\$ 1,428.62

*Contributions figure does not include \$582.00 received from the Yearly Meeting Treasurer after the books had closed.

Savings Account, Waterville Savings Bank	\$ 214.93
Checking Account, Bank of Maine	1,213.69
Cash on hand, May 31, 1979	<u>\$ 1,428.62</u>

Benjamin Cates, Treasurer

I have examined these accounts and find them correct.

July 25, 1979

Ralph W. Austin, Auditor

42. Sarah Strong, Clerk, presented the report of Young Friends. Time spent in Young Friends is a "forging ahead" into uncharted territory — a first time for many things, a period of learning responsibility, of maturing, trying new approaches, strengthening oneself in the group experience.

43. Don Campbell reported on a group of Young Adult Friends above 18 years old who have met several times and have discussed career, family, sexuality, Meeting participation and other subjects. The group would like to be able to plan at least three meetings and some work project weekends throughout the year. We were asked for approval of the group as a Young Adult Friends entity and for a budget allowance of about \$300 to be used mainly for travel and for resource people. Several Friends saw this as a splitting off of a young, vital group whose energies would be lost to the Yearly Meeting as a whole. Others spoke to the need of an interim age group between Young Friends and the adult Yearly Meeting, an age group which is often lost to Meetings because of its mobility, wide ranging interests and often long gaps in Meeting attendance leading to a feeling of not belonging anywhere in the Meeting structure. We approved a continued discussion of this proposal in an open meeting of Ministry and Counsel.

Thursday, August 16, 7:30 P.M.

44. A memorial to Allan Wardell Eister was read.

MEMORIAL TO ALLAN WARDELL EISTER

Allan Wardell Eister, a beloved member of Wellesley Meeting since its establishment, died at his home on March 27, 1979, at age 64. His association with Wellesley Friends goes back to 1953 when he joined the Department of Sociology at Wellesley College. He was Clerk of the Meeting during the period when the decision to ask for Monthly Meeting status independent of Cambridge was reached. He served on many committees of Wellesley Meeting over the years, but was especially interested in Peace and Social Concerns. In this area, his deepest concern was for prisons and the humane treatment of prisoners, and he gave freely of his time and hospitality and guidance over a long period.

Allan also devoted much effort to Friends' activities outside his Meeting. He served several terms on the Salem Quarterly Meeting Board, at one time serving as Recording Clerk and, at the time of his death, Clerk. He was deeply interested in the work of New England Yearly Meeting, serving at various times on the Permanent Board, the Christian Education Committee, and the Board of Overseers of Lincoln School. He also spent some time on the Board of Managers of Beacon Hill Friends House.

Born in 1915, he married Dorothy Zulick in 1948. He taught for 26 years at Wellesley, during which time he contributed much to the development of the sociology curriculum and introduced many innovations. He was chairman of the Department when he died. He was a specialist in the sociology of religion and was particularly interested in new religious movements. He had a life-long interest in

the relation of science and religion, and was recently President of the Society for the Scientific Study of Religion. He was editor of the book, **Changing Perspectives in the Scientific Study of Religion**, published in 1974.

Allan was a man of deep convictions and passionate insistence on the highest ethical standards in both academic and personal life. He had a deep concern for right relationships between people in all of society, in the Society of Friends, and in Wellesley Meeting. He spoke with prophetic conviction on this subject from his point of view as a committed Christian and also as a sociologist, without hesitating to express unpopular views when he felt deeply led by the Spirit. Although he was an intellectual and a faithful reader of the Bible, he was insistent that religious goals are best reached by opening our hearts to the spirit of God. Allan believed that the Society of Friends should be held together by a common acknowledgment that Christ's teachings and sacrifice place us under an obligation to follow Him — and give us the strength to do so. He himself bore the burdens and tragedies that life placed upon him diligently and courageously and with unswerving faithfulness. He took other people's problems to heart and helped many with sympathy, sensitivity, and practical assistance and understanding. We shall miss Allan.

45. Hobart Mitchell read the epistle from Philadelphia Yearly Meeting.

46. Michael Carter gave a report of his work with Young Friends, with the Christian Education Committee and with China Camp. He stressed the need for more communication — in Meetings and between Meetings. He urged us not to procrastinate, to live each day to the full and to live in the present.

YOUTH SECRETARY

As a preface to this report, I should like to remind Friends that, as of August 1978, the job of Youth Secretary was re-defined and broadened to include Christian Education responsibilities as well. Thus, in the past year my energies were divided between the three "Youth" areas of Young Friends, Friends China Camp, and Christian Education.

Christian Education. I have found that my work on behalf of the Christian Education Committee has blended well with my efforts on behalf of Young Friends and China Camp. The children within our Monthly Meetings are both prospective campers and Young Friends. Thus, my contacts with C.E. committees throughout Yearly Meeting have the possibility of providing long-term continuity and contact with Yearly Meeting activities for youth.

I prepared and circulated a religious education questionnaire, the results of which have been thoroughly reviewed by the Christian Education Committee members and me. The majority of Meetings responded and I began work on developing Christian Education sponsored Regional Workshops, based on the results of this questionnaire. Regional Workshops were held at Westport and at Durham.

Young Friends. 1978-9 has been a very successful year for Young Friends activities within New England. The spiritual and material growth of Young Friends was greatly aided again this year by the continued commitment of Young Friends' Ministry and Counsel. Major areas of concern and assistance continue to be: providing outreach to Young Friends in local Monthly Meetings, and ministering to the spiritual and emotional needs of inexperienced and experienced Young Friends. Young Friends' Ministry and Counsel assumed the added responsibility for the development of weekend retreats, using vital themes which speak directly and particularly to Young Friends. Ten such weekends were held on the following themes: Friends principles, friendship, loneliness, non-violence, sex roles, simplicity, and social issues, e.g., the Draft and nuclear energy. It is both noteworthy and personally encouraging to me that increasing numbers of Young Friends consistently attend these retreats, despite the distances involved. I am also pleased to add that a new Young Friends group has been established in Providence, RI, comprised of Moses Brown, Lincoln School and Providence youth. Framingham, MA, has also noted a strengthening of its group, as have various other Meetings within the Yearly Meeting.

It is also exciting to note that a new group has been initiated this year by older Young Friends — called Young Adult Friends or Y.A.F. The purpose of this group is that of meeting the needs of college and post-college age youth between the ages of about 18 and 35. Young Adult Friends serves as a means of providing a transition stage between Young Friends (now exclusively for high school age youth) and adult Friends. I support the goals of this group and maintain frequent communication with it.

The potential for and expression of leadership within Young Friends themselves seems to grow stronger each year; so too, does the commitment within our youth to Friends principles. I find our Young Friends are increasingly motivated, well read, communicative and tolerant.

The four issues of the *Crier*, the Young Friends newsletter, continue to help cement the bonds between widely-scattered Young Friends. In addition to the *Crier*, Young Friends throughout Yearly Meeting are kept up-to-date on activities for them through frequent mailings of our Outreach Weekend fliers.

Friends China Camp. Since the Camp Committee succeeded in securing a Registrar for the 1979 camp sessions, I had more time this year to devote to both staff recruitment and interviews. With a new staff application, staff job specifications, and a well-developed format for staff interviews, I feel very confident about the 1979 staff selections. The primary objective for Friends China Camp continues to be that of nurturing the spiritual growth of our youth through the experience of living in a Friends community close to nature. All the staff members have been selected with this in mind.

We look forward to a successful season, one in which both the campers and staff can strive for ideals inherent in a Friends community.

Michael Carter

47. Janet Hoffman, Clerk of the Christian Education Committee, spoke briefly to her printed report. The Committee presented the following minute:

We would like to minute our appreciation to Alice Wiser for co-ordinating Junior Yearly Meeting for the past three years. This has released the Christian Education Committee to turn its full attention to identifying the religious education needs of constituent Meetings and to begin to respond to them. We see this as our primary task. Since we have not had to expend our energy organizing Junior Yearly Meeting we have felt revitalized in attending to our essential work. We also feel Junior Yearly Meeting is a more integral part of New England Yearly Meeting as a result of this arrangement.

Plans are already underway for the 1980 celebration of the 50th anniversary of the founding of Junior Yearly Meeting. Members were urged to find and bring along memorabilia of the years.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE

The Christian Education Committee has spent another productive year. With Junior Yearly Meeting 1979 again in the capable hands of Alice Wiser, we were able to focus all our attention on responding to the religious education needs of the Yearly Meeting. We were glad to be able to work with Michael Carter and we spent an entire day in the fall getting acquainted with him and clearly defining both his responsibilities and our own.

Michael sent out a questionnaire similar to one we sent out two years ago. As a result, two regional workshops were held this year: one for Rhode Island-Smithfield and Sandwich, and one for Dover/Vassalboro/Falmouth Quarters. These were planned jointly by Michael and committees within those Quarters. We hope to continue holding regional workshops with planning done jointly by people in the region and Michael. "Encourage leadership everywhere!" is our cry, and we feel fortunate to have the time and skills of our Youth Secretary to help us do this.

We also became aware of two very distinct needs in the Yearly Meeting. One is for very concrete training in "parenting" skills — for anyone who works with children. We therefore planned two workshops for Yearly meeting jointly with the Family Life Subcommittee of Ministry and Counsel.

Two areas of interest emerged this year: (1) "What role does the home play in the spiritual growth and education of children?" "What are reasonable expectations of a First Day School program?" Is teaching "the spiritual basics" at home and adding richness to this base in the Meeting program a viable model? (2) Can we provide devotional and religious education materials for people who can't get to Meeting, who are confined to nursing homes or to their own homes?

Religious education is an exciting topic, and more so as we get closer and closer to New England Meetings and discover their strengths, questions and needs.

48. Marcia Glynn, Clerk of the Nominating Committee, presented the list of nominations which had been reviewed by the Representatives. The list was approved.

49. We have appointed representatives to "Friends for Lesbian and Gay Concerns" as an approach to furthering our understanding of and sensitivity to the special situation which confronts some members of our Society.

50. Katherine Perry, Friends Co-ordinator of the Moses Brown School Overseers, explained the nominating procedure for Overseers. It was approved.

51. The proposal for the Permanent Board, at a spring meeting, to approve nominations for the Moses Brown School Overseers, forwarded by the Yearly Meeting Nominating Committee, was approved. We approved the changes in the by-laws of the Moses Brown School Overseers having to do with nominations.

Friday, August 17, 10:45 A.M.

52. A memorial to Harvey Chace Perry was read.

MEMORIAL TO HARVEY CHACE PERRY

In 1880, Harvey Chace Perry began a life largely devoted to emulating his father, and this life did not end until September 12, 1978.

He took a warm interest in the mental and moral progress of his community, and like his father, he remained a life-long member of the Westerly Meeting — to be precise, ninety-seven and one-half years. Enhancing the city's civic life, especially the services of Westerly Hospital, was his chief concern. His was the type of citizenship always desired and too infrequently found.

His grain business served farmers between New London and Providence, and he owned a dairy farm until long after both enterprises became unprofitable.

He was a 1901 graduate of Westtown School and member of the Harvard Class of 1905. He was a direct descendant of John Wilbur, and was deeply devoted to his local Meeting and to the Wilburite New England Yearly Meeting into which he was born. Nevertheless, he supported that yearly meeting's dissolution and the founding of a new all-encompassing New England Yearly Meeting in 1945, just 100 years after the sad Gurney-Wilbur separation.

He acted as treasurer for the 1937 Friends World Conference and later attended several national and international Friends conferences as a member of the Friends World Committee's Visitation Committee. He was also a member of the Corporation of Haverford College.

Harvey Perry considered his most important works were his missions for the American Friends Service Committee in Germany in 1921 and in Austria in 1939. In 1921 he was responsible for feeding and clothing 200,000 children in Saxony and Silesia, who were starving as a result of the Allied blockade following the 1918 armistice. He nearly lost his life during the Polish insurrection in Upper Silesia. In 1939 he was one of five commissioners representing the Service Committee in Hitler's Reich following the audience of Rufus Jones,

George Walton and Robert Yarnall with the Gestapo.

He was married twice. His marriage to Lydia Sharpless, daughter of Isaac Sharpless, Haverford College president, ended with her death in 1932. In 1936 he married Dr. Julianna R. Tatum, who survives him. Both women were ardent partners in his overseas work as well as in his hobbies of sailing, restoring old houses, nature study, and conservation.

53. An epistle from Baltimore Yearly Meeting was read. We are asked to "heed the call for caring in the cries of those both known and unknown, that we may forestall violence and restore loving kindness where there is turmoil and injustice."

54. Finley Perry presented the report of the Finance Committee. The report was approved. The Committee on Sufferings was added to the list which may make direct appeals to the members of the Yearly Meeting. It is hoped that for next year the Personnel Committee will be careful to clarify salary and benefit items for our staff to eliminate bias.

NEW ENGLAND YEARLY MEETING BUDGET

June 1, 1979 — May 31, 1980

Yearly Meeting Expenses

Yearly Meeting Sessions	\$ 600
Young Friends YM	350
Junior YM	800
YM Clerk	200
YM Treasurer	200
Printing Minutes	1,900
	<u>4,050</u>

Field Secretary

Salary (part time)	8,400
Health Insurance	650
Retirement fund	905
Travel & Expenses	3,400
	<u>13,355</u>

Administrative Secretary

Salary (part time)	6,200
Office Rental	750
Office Expense	3,300
Stenographic Assistance	500
	<u>10,750</u>

Youth Secretary

Salary	9,500
Retirement	950
Housing	2,100
Health Ins.	650
Travel & Expenses	3,400
	<u>16,600</u>

Yearly Meeting Committees

Aging	150
Archives & Historical Records	600
China Camp	1,000
Christian Education	450
Committee on Right Sharing	200
Executive Council	500
Faith & Practice Revision	50
Friends Educational Needs	50
Ministry & Counsel	800
Minute 74	250
Nominating	50

Peace & Social Concerns	250
Prejudice & Poverty	200
Student Loan	25
Wider Ministries	100
Young Friends	500
	<hr/> 5,175
Friends Organizations	
American Friends Service Committee	200
Friends Committee on National Legislation	500
Friends Council on Education	100
Friends General Conference	3,531
Friends United Meeting Activities	4,700
Friends United Meeting	5,947
Friends World Committee for Consultation	1,487
	<hr/> 16,465
Miscellaneous	
Travel NEYM Representatives	500
FUM Travel Pool	300
New Call to Peace Making	275
	<hr/> 1,075
Totals	<hr/> \$67,470

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

1. The Yearly Meeting depends for its support on voluntary contributions from the Monthly Meetings. If any Monthly Meeting fails to contribute its fair share, other Monthly Meetings must make up the deficit. The present budget calls for expenses approximately equivalent to \$18. per member of the Yearly Meeting.

2. Yearly Meeting committees may not exceed the expenses authorized for them in the budget and they should not contribute money to other organizations. The Treasurer is not authorized to pay any expenses in excess of the budget without prior approval of the clerk of the Finance Committee.

3. China Camp, New England Friends Home and Young Friends Committee each has its own treasurer. Other Yearly Meeting Committees are not authorized either to hold or to disburse funds on behalf of the Yearly Meeting except through the Yearly Meeting Treasurer.

4. That no general appeals by any committees of the Yearly Meeting or by organizations of which we are a constituent part should be made directly to the members of the Yearly Meeting without prior approval of the Finance Committee except by those committees which have been previously authorized to do so, namely: the Equalization Fund, Minute 60, Minute 74, China Camp, FGC Committee, FUM Committee, FWC Committee, Right Sharing of World Resources Committee, Student Loan and Scholarship Committee, Committee on Sufferings and Young Friends Committee.

5. That the Treasurer be authorized to accept money for transmittal to the Friends Committee on National Legislation in an amount up to ten (10) percent of the Yearly Meeting budget.

6. That the audit of the accounts of the China Camp Committee by Ralph Austin, and the Young Friends Committee by Robert Wehmeyer for their respective most recently completed fiscal years be accepted.

7. That Ralph Austin be appointed to audit the accounts of the Treasurer of the China Camp Committee, that Polly Wood be appointed to audit the accounts of the Treasurer of the New England Friends Home, and that Robert Wehmeyer be appointed to audit the accounts of the Treasurer of the Young Friends Committee, in each case for the current fiscal year. It is suggested that in each case the auditor's report be included with the regular annual committee report.

8. That the audit of the accounts of the Yearly Meeting Treasurer by Fred L. Wheeler for the fiscal year ending May 31, 1979 be accepted.

9. That Fred L. Wheeler be appointed to audit the accounts of the Yearly Meeting Treasurer for the fiscal year ending May 31, 1980.

10. That Robert M. Brill be appointed as Treasurer for the ensuing year or until his successor is appointed and qualified, and that he be authorized to open and close bank accounts in the name of the Yearly Meeting as needed.

11. That Henry Baechler and the Clerk of the New England Yearly Meeting be named as alternate signers individually of all bank accounts of the New England Yearly Meeting for the ensuing year or until their successors are appointed and qualified.

12. The fund for travel expenses of representatives of New England Yearly Meeting is to be used as needed with the approval of the Yearly Meeting Clerk. If in any year it is not fully expended, the balance will be continued to be held in a travel fund for future use of such representatives. It is hoped that in this way a somewhat larger travel fund can be accumulated in a few years.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TREASURER

June 1, 1978 — May 31, 1979

RECEIPTS FOR BUDGET

Connecticut Valley Quarter			
Hartford	\$ 8,300.00	Westerly	800.00
Middletown	900.00	Worcester-Pleasant St.	1,500.00
Mt. Toby	3,000.00		<u>\$ 7,688.89</u>
New Haven	1,200.00	Salem Quarter	
New London	350.00	Acton	\$ 600.00
Storrs	1,000.00	Amesbury	100.00
Watertown	200.00	Cambridge	12,300.00
	<u>\$14,950.00</u>	Lawrence	480.00
		Lynn	100.00
		Wellesley	3,900.00
			<u>\$17,480.00</u>
Dover Quarter		Sandwich Quarter	
Concord	\$ 200.00	Allen's Neck	\$ 621.01
Dover	500.00	Dartmouth	550.00
Gonic	234.00	Marion	—
Weare	385.00	New Bedford Monthly	375.00
	<u>\$ 1,319.00</u>	New Bedford Particular	350.00
		Long Plain	55.00
Falmouth Quarter		Mattapoisett	325.00
Durham	\$ 1,200.00	Sandwich	700.00
Parsonsfield	25.00	West Falmouth	663.51
Portland	1,500.00	Yarmouth	798.50
North Sandwich	110.00	Swansea	600.00
Windham	360.00	Westport	800.00
	<u>\$ 3,195.00</u>		<u>\$ 5,838.02</u>
Northwest Quarter		Vassalboro Quarter	
Bennington	\$ 500.00	Acadia	\$ 112.00
Burlington	325.00	China	600.00
Hanover	1,261.00	Cobscook	50.00
Middlebury	266.00	Midcoast	250.00
Monadnock	380.00	North Fairfield	300.00
Plainfield	400.00	Oak Grove	—
Putney	300.00	Orono	340.00
Wilderness	72.00	Vassalboro	800.00
	<u>\$ 3,504.00</u>	Winthrop	326.81
			<u>\$ 2,778.81</u>
Rhode Island-Smithfield Quarter			
North Dartmouth	\$ 200.00		
Providence	3,841.09		
Smithfield	1,347.80		
Total from Meetings			\$56,753.72
Received from Individuals			1,011.00
Received from Investments for Yearly Meeting			434.02
Interest on savings, net			3,109.79
Faith & Practice Receipts			316.85
Total Received for Budget			<u>\$61,625.38</u>

BUDGET ACCOUNTS

	Income & Credits	Budget Allotment	Outgo
Yearly Meeting Expenses			
Yearly Meeting Session	\$22,124.58	\$ 600.00	\$21,476.23
Young Friends Yearly Meeting		350.00	101.50
Junior Yearly Meeting		800.00	647.80
Yearly Meeting Clerk		200.00	142.84
Yearly Meeting Treasurer	32.32	200.00	31.56
Printing Minutes	3.50	1,900.00	1,950.00
Subtotal	\$22,160.40	\$ 4,050.00	\$24,349.93
Field Secretary			
Salary — part time		8,600.00	8,600.00
Retirement		860.00	860.00
Travel and Expenses		3,200.00	3,196.31
Subtotal		\$12,660.00	\$12,656.31
Administrative Secretary			
Salary — part time		5,900.00	5,900.00
Office Rental		675.00	675.00
Central Office Expense		3,300.00	2,581.34
Stenographic Assistance		500.00	96.00
Subtotal		\$10,375.00	\$ 9,252.34
Youth Secretary			
Salary		9,500.00	9,500.00
Retirement		950.00	950.00
Housing (office rent)		450.00	450.00
Medical Insurance		800.00	650.00
Travel and Expenses		3,200.00	3,195.84
Subtotal		\$14,900.00	\$14,745.84
Committees			
Aging		150.00	—
Archives and Historical Records	23.00	600.00	601.16
China Camp		1,000.00	1,000.00
Christian Education	85.45	350.00	464.51
Executive Council		500.00	50.00
Faith and Practice Review		25.00	—
Friends Educational Needs		50.00	—
Ministry and Counsel	120.68	800.00	52.93
Minute 74 Expenses	252.50	250.00	450.62
Nominating		50.00	16.00
Peace and Social Concerns	260.00	250.00	491.92

Prejudice and Poverty Expenses	200.00	127.37	
Student Loan and Scholarship	25.00	10.07	
Wider Ministries	100.00	91.64	
Young Friends Activities	500.00	604.00	
Subtotal	\$ 1,045.63	\$ 3,960.22	
Friends Organizations			
American Friends Service Committee	200.00	200.00	
Friends Committee on National Legis.	500.00	500.00	
Friends Council on Education	100.00	100.00	
Friends General Conference	3,109.00	3,109.00	
Friends United Meeting, Activities	4,700.00	4,700.00	
Friends United Meeting	5,487.00	5,487.00	
Friends World Committee/Consultation	1,280.00	1,280.00	
Subtotal	\$15,376.00	\$15,376.00	
Miscellaneous			
Travel - NEYM Representatives	50.00	344.00	
FUM Travel Pool		300.00	
New Call to Peacemaking	234.00	484.00	
Subtotal	\$ 284.00	\$ 1,128.00	
BUDGET ACCOUNTS TOTAL	\$23,490.03	\$81,468.64	
Working Capital forward from 5-31-78	11,373.94		
Credits and debit to working capital	302.61		
Receipts for Budget	61,625.38		
TOTAL FOR BUDGET ACCOUNTS AND WORKING CAPITAL TO CARRY FORWARD TO NEXT YEAR	\$96,791.96	\$15,323.32	
NON-BUDGET ACCOUNTS			
Forward			
6-1-78			
Bequest Funds			
Boyce & Gifford (for Western Indians)	\$ 72.24	Outgo	Balance 5-31-1979
Anna M. Brown (for education of R.I. farmers' children)	349.14	\$ 72.24	\$ 4,190.71
Boyce, Camp, Knowles & Sturge (for education of freedmen)	2,207.91	1,600.00	2,169.69

J. G. Greene (for Sandwich Meeting & Y.M. owned Friends' education)	376.42	376.42	
Hansen & Hill (for Hingham Home)	410.30	410.30	
Hayden (for Providence Mtg., USFW, & Board of Missions)	782.03	782.03	405.57
E. M. Jones (for Parsonsfield Mtg.)	335.74		1,212.50
Kirby (for evangelistic work in Sandwich Quarter)	1,183.41	75.50	1,871.36
Mosher for printing & circulating tracts on Quaker principles)	1,610.11	422.55	
Pittsfield & Varney (for Ministry & Counsel)	926.80	800.00	219.65
Subtotal	\$ 9,459.41	\$ 4,539.04	\$10,069.48
Contributory Funds			
China Camp			582.00
Equalization	4,236.10	3,401.90	5,366.20
Archives & Historical Records	(3.92)		496.08
FCNL - contributions by individuals		4,135.00	
FUM - contributions by individuals & Meetings		598.51	
FUM - investment income		1,622.36	
Right sharing - contributions by individuals & Meetings		1,060.00	1,425.00
Minute 74 - contributions by individuals & Meetings	3,788.74	5,625.00	5,076.74
Prejudice & Poverty - contributions by individuals & Meetings	2,780.95	5,325.00	5,091.30
Student Loan & Scholarship - repayments by students	14,199.00	342.00	16,266.64
Lindley & Mary Binford	2,000.00		2,000.00
Travel Pool for FUM Triennial	1,400.53	790.40	910.13
Travel Fund for YM Committees		144.55	26.45
Meeting for Sufferings		235.00	235.00
Amesbury Meeting House	1,142.49	4,731.65	93.89
Church Extension		14.20	
Subtotal	\$29,543.89	\$27,790.57	\$37,569.43

Other Funds

Withholding taxes	67.50	1,502.80	280.10
Deferred Receipts	269.45	335.45	85.45
Field Secretary Retirement	328.14	147.92	476.06
Youth Secretary Retirement	428.72	997.18	1,425.90
Maple Grove Parsonage	3,204.78	172.36	3,377.14
Estate of Walter R. Jones (for Moses Brown School)		496.00	
Estate of Marshall N. Fulton (for Moses Brown School)			
Subtotal	<u>\$ 4,298.59</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>\$ 5,644.65</u>
TOTAL NON-BUDGET ACCOUNTS	\$43,301.89	\$ 3,305.65	\$53,283.56
PLUS WORKING CAPITAL TO CARRY FORWARD	\$45,616.93	\$35,635.26	15,323.32
GRAND TOTAL			\$68,606.88

On deposit May 31, 1979 in Connecticut Bank & Trust Co. (Checking acc't.)

Society for Savings, Hartford	1,897.54
Franklin Savings Bank, NY	7,422.32
Penobscot Savings Bank, Maine	18,690.55
Conn. Savings & Loan (Prejudice & Poverty)	476.06
Conn. Savings & Loan (Student Loan)	5,091.30
Hartford Federal Savings & Loan (Carter retirement)	5,803.57
The Reserve Fund, N.Y.	1,425.90
	27,799.64
	<u>\$68,606.88</u>

Robert M. Brill, Treasurer

On June 7, 1979 I examined and found correct the books and the report of the Treasurer of the New England Yearly Meeting of Friends for the year ending May 31, 1979.

The Treasurer's report reflects the receipts and expenditures during such year and is in agreement with the total bank balances as of May 31, 1979.

We are very fortunate to have such conscientious, careful, and complete record keeping done by our Treasurer, Robert M. Brill.

Fred L. Wheeler, Auditor

55. We approved that Robert M. Brill be appointed as Treasurer for the ensuing year or until his successor is appointed and qualified, that he be authorized to open and close bank accounts in the name of the Yearly Meeting as needed.

56. We approved that Henry Baechler and the Clerk of New England Yearly Meeting be named as alternate signers individually of all bank accounts of the New England Yearly Meeting for the ensuing year or until their successors are appointed and qualified.

57. We approved the inclusion of the Young Friends' Treasurer's Report in the printed minutes.

YOUNG FRIENDS COMMITTEE

Financial Statement for Year Ending May 31, 1979

Balance on Hand 6/1/1978		\$ 205.01
Income		
NEYM Treasurer	\$ 500.00	
Midwinter Conference registrations	200.00	
Interest on savings	2.19	
Total Income		<u>702.19</u>
Total Available		907.20
Expenses		
Yearly Meeting Staff - 1978	105.00	
Other Yearly Meeting Expense	25.00	
Conference Expenses	304.00	
Newsletter (Crier) publication	150.00	
Travel aid	109.20	
Telephone expenses	11.88	
Miscellaneous (bank charge)	5.00	
Total Expenses		<u>710.08</u>
Balance on Hand 5/31/1979		<u>\$ 197.12</u>
R.I. Hospital Trust Nat'l. Bank (savings)	168.07	
Providence Trust Co. (checking)	29.05	
		<u>\$ 197.12</u>

Steve Schultz, Treasurer

I have examined the accounts of Young Friends Committee for the year ending May 31, 1979 and find them correct.

Robert Wehmeyer, Auditor

58. Andrew Towl, Clerk, spoke to the report of the Board of Managers of Investments and Permanent Funds. He told us that much of historical interest is found in records of this Board and reminded us that trust gifts made many years ago are still working to benefit Moses Brown School, New England Friends Home, Beacon Hill Friends House and others. All groups with funds entrusted to the Board met together in June to discuss their financial needs with the Board. Our current earnings are in the upper third of the earnings of nationally known and prestigious schools and institutions despite our care to regard Friends' principles in selecting investments. The report was approved and the Board was commended for its continued attention to Friends' philosophies.

BOARD OF MANAGERS OF INVESTMENTS AND PERMANENT FUNDS

4/1/1978 - 3/31/1979

The financial report shows for the year:

Income

Interest received	\$57,805
Dividends received	<u>45,795</u>

\$103,600

Expenditures from income

Investment Advisory Service	7,500
Custodial Service	4,372
Accounting Service	<u>300</u>

12,172

Net Earned for Distribution to 2,005,693 units

\$ 91,428

The distribution of \$45.60 per 1000 units compares with the advice of \$42.50 per 1000 units which the Board suggested to constituents a year ago. While it is gratifying in some ways to be able to distribute more than estimated, the Board points out that present income is influenced by short term interest rates that cannot be expected to continue.

The Board seeks to minimize the risks of change in interest rates and inflation by diversification between bonds and stocks. Diversification also is sought to minimize the risks of recession and to benefit from technological shifts that increase earnings. The Board reaffirms its basic goals and procedures to achieve such diversification within the social testimonies of Friends.

George Lear, for a Sub-Committee on investigating alternatives to management of our Pooled Funds, reported and the Board agreed that it was not feasible to consider merger of our funds with those of another Yearly Meeting.

After careful review of experience and a wide range of considerations, the Board decided to cease writing options on stocks in the fund.

59. John Kellam spoke to the report of the Auditors of the Permanent Funds giving clarification to the printed report.

AUDITORS OF THE PERMANENT FUNDS

We have examined the report of the Board of Managers of Investments and Permanent Funds for the fiscal year, attached to which are the financial report, investment commentary, guidelines policy, and a historical memo of income distributions. This year we did not obtain monthly bank statements of securities transactions nor the annual bank summaries.

Accounting again appears satisfactory, and selected securities appear to satisfy Yearly Meeting guidelines. However, the report does not show the character of corporate business for 17 stocks and 11 bonds with respect to products or services, resources used for power, or reinvestment policies of financial houses, and we suggest including this.

We appreciate the end of stock options trading, leaving two items for reporting next year. A bank error, causing \$8,000 of income to miss being distributed, can be compensated next year, amounting to about \$4.00 per 1000 units.

An investment in "Institutional Liquid Assets Fund" of Industrial National Bank, reaching \$215,000 by March 31st and rising substantially within our \$1,440,000 portfolio, prompts several questions: Is this too large an indirect investment made without reference to Friends' principles? In view of the Board's correct decision not to merge our Permanent Funds with those of another Yearly Meeting, partly for the reason that our guidelines could not influence their Board's selections, this practice through the bank's Fund seems inconsistent. The use of investing trusts was the first practice we questioned in 1977, and this question may apply as well to the income cash balance and to \$41,224 of principal cash balance in bank deposits. Could these balances be more comfortably deposited in insured credit union shares for use in home mortgage loans and small local business loans at 7 per cent quarterly interest?

August 10, 1979 John R. Kellam, Kenneth Strobel, Peter Shaw, Auditors

60. Rosalind Cobb spoke to the report of the Minute 74 Committee. Financial support for the Committee was improved this year. Ratios of minority employees, students and faculty in the schools are not as good as could be wished. Study of this situation is continuing, assisted by information from the National Association of Independent Schools.

MINUTE 74 COMMITTEE

Minute 74 Committee has had a busy year. Early in 1979 the Committee distributed \$5,625.00 of which \$1,250.00 was granted from the Obadiah Brown's Benevolent Fund. Cambridge Friends School received \$1,025.00, Lincoln School received \$2,050.00, Moses Brown School received \$2,050.00, and Oak Grove-Coburn received \$500.00.

After last summer's workshop, **Friends Schools and Minorities**, that was supported in part by Friends Council on Education, it was agreed that another such workshop would be valuable. To help with our planning we felt it would be useful to find out the present status of the schools regarding minority inclusion. In order to assess where the four schools felt themselves to be, we designed a questionnaire with the help of Carol Kelly, Director of Admissions at Moses Brown. Once the forms were returned they proved to be extremely worthwhile, pointing out problem areas. What was revealed was that there are genuine efforts in all the schools to improve the situation through films, speakers and elective courses, recruitment and hiring. However, there were no minority members on the boards of trustees, nor were there any in administration. There were few faculty members and they are in two of the schools, the others without any, yet all the schools employ minority unskilled workers. There were no evaluative programs to assess what values accrue to students, minority or majority, resulting from the integration of the schools. All the schools seemed discouraged about finding faculty members and adequate monies for scholarship.

Fifteen schools participated in a workshop in early May on **An Assessment: The Minority Experience in Independent Schools, Where do we go from here?** The assessment was presented from the minority point of view; two teachers, a parent and a student told the sixty or more participants what it was like to teach and learn as a minority person in a predominantly white environment. A representative of the National Association of Independent Schools suggested many ways to overcome some of the difficulties facing the schools. In three group sessions neighboring schools' representatives brainstormed methods of being mutually cooperative and supportive in meeting the challenge of meaningful integration.

Responses from the workshop were enthusiastic, yet there grew out of it an increased sense of need for 'nuts and bolts' with which to meet the problems. In response we began at once to plan for the workshop at Yearly Meeting, **Friends Schools and Minority Education**.

We look forward to a year of continued effort in the search for a more harmonious world.

Friday evening, August 17, 7:30

61. A memorial to Cornelius Kruse was read.

MEMORIAL TO CORNELIUS KRUSE

On October 22, 1978, Middletown, Connecticut, Meeting held a memorial meeting for worship in memory of Cornelius Kruse, who died in Middletown at the age of 85 on September 27. Among those who spoke of the human intelligence and kindly humor with which Cornelius influenced their lives were former Wesleyan students, colleagues from the American Friends Service Committee and Wesleyan University, and Friends from his Meeting and from a Wider Quaker world.

His active career as a Quaker included service as a conscientious objector in France in 1918-1919 with the American Friends Service Committee. He served

this Committee again in 1946-47 as director, in Philadelphia, of relief work in Europe and Asia after the Second World War, and continued as one of the directors of AFSC until 1961. In 1951 he was one of the planners, in Germany, of the Friends World Conference held in Oxford in 1952. His outreach extended to the United Nations in New York when he and his wife, Catherine, were the Residents, in 1954, of Quaker House, an institution located near the UN to bring together diplomats from around the world in an atmosphere of Friendly communication. He was a founder and member of Hartford Meeting and of its Preparative Meeting in Middletown, which became a Monthly Meeting, with his help, in 1950.

Cornelius' Quakerly spirit found expression in his professional and scholarly life. He was a force in international communication between philosophers. He traveled to Europe, Oceania, Asia, and Latin America as a delegate to conferences of philosophers and became president of the Inter-American Society of Philosophers in 1957. One of the books he co-authored was *Essays in East-West Philosophies*, and he taught in the first course in the Humanities of the Near and Far East at Wesleyan. In the role of peacemaker he united much of the world in the minds as well as the hearts of his international and intercultural friends.

62. The first draft of our Yearly Meeting epistle was read by Louisa Alger, for the Correspondence Committee.

63. We approved the Representatives' nominations for Clerks as follows:

Presiding Clerk:	SYLVIA S. PERRY
Recording Clerk:	BARBARA W. HADDAD
Reading Clerk:	THOREAU RAYMOND
Reading Clerk:	TRACY BOOTH

64. We approved the recommendation of the Executive Council that the 1980 Yearly Meeting be held in Gorham, Maine, at University of Southern Maine, August 11-16.

65. We approved a traveling minute for Alice and Nathan Wiser who plan "to travel among Friends, and others, in many lands around the world, carrying with them a concern to discover more creative solutions to conflict . . ."

66. George Bliss for the Friends Committee on National Legislation and Marjorie Swann for the American Friends Service Committee explained the problems and procedures for deciding which topics are given priority for action by these groups each year.

Saturday, August 18, 10:45 A.M.

67. A list of friends deceased in 1978 was read. The list is attached to the file copy of the 1979 minute book.

68. The Yearly Meeting Registrar reported total attendance of 510: Adults, 318; Young Friends, 39; Juniors 93.

69. We approved, if Friends choose to leave it behind, using key deposit money for the committee travel fund.

70. We approved a minute from the Ministry and Counsel Committee about the Young Adult Friends.

New England Yearly Meeting Committee on Ministry and Counsel, after hearing concerns and ideas from many Friends, recommends that the Yearly Meeting form an exploratory committee of young, adult Friends for one year. We recommend this exploratory committee be represented on Yearly Meeting Executive Council and have access to Yearly Meeting funds.

Douglas Cox, for the Committee, presented the names of Carol Morris, Kate Langworthy, Terrald Babers, Thomas Hancock, Sr., and Neil Allen, Convenor, to be the exploratory committee. These were approved. Two hundred dollars for the use of this committee to be expended from the Executive Council funds was approved.

71. The Equalization Fund Committee reported that \$4800 was used to assist 107 persons in attending this Yearly Meeting. The Committee expects to make some changes in procedure to make the process run more smoothly. We approve this Committee making needed changes, guided by experience and by suggestions arising in this meeting. The importance of early Yearly Meeting registration was stressed.

EQUALIZATION FUND COMMITTEE

There were 78 people who were helped financially by the Equalization Fund to attend the 1978 Yearly Meeting at Wheaton College in Norton, Massachusetts. Included were 36 adults, 14 Young Friends, and 28 Juniors. This represented an approximate total of \$3,352.00 expended by the Fund Committee.

We thank the Obadiah Brown Fund, Monthly Meetings, Quarterly Meetings, and individuals for their generous contributions, thus making it possible for many to attend Yearly Meeting who might otherwise not have gone because of insufficient funds.

72. Miriam Brown reported on a visit to the Junior Yearly Meeting. We should feel gratified and satisfied that Juniors are being well prepared for their future participation in Yearly Meeting.

73. Jane Burgess, for the Friends General Conference Committee, presented Lila Cornell, the associate director of FGC, who told us something of the 1980 Gathering to be held June 28-July 5 at Ithaca, NY, and of the many useful services of the Friends General Conference.

Carl Newlin, Susan Zeichner, and Susan Furry reported on meaningful experiences at the 1979 Friends Gathering at Earlham.

74. Susan Devokaitis, Clerk of Peace and Social Concerns Committee, presented the following minute:

We agree that one meal at next year's Yearly Meeting shall be a very simple meal (such as a rice meal or soup and bread), and that the savings realized from serving this instead of what would ordinarily have been provided should be contributed to efforts to relieve world hunger. We recognize that the money savings may not be great, but that there is symbolic and psychological value in the action.

It was approved that the Program Committee try to arrange this.

75. The following minute proposed by Peace and Social Concerns Committee was approved as a Yearly Meeting statement.

New England Yearly Meeting of Friends is troubled by the plight of the Boat People. We also recognize that they are less than 1/3 of the more than 350,000 refugees from Laos, Cambodia and Vietnam who are now in refugee camps in various countries. Humanitarian aid is urgently needed for these refugees, from both private and government sources. We support President Carter's decision to increase the number of refugees which the United States will admit each month.

In addition to humanitarian aid for refugees, we must work to alleviate the conditions which are forcing these people to leave their homelands. The situation in Cambodia is critical, and requires international cooperation and

massive food aid. The refusal of the United States government to recognize Vietnam and to provide reconstruction aid as promised in the Paris Peace Treaty contributes to the instability and tensions which are driving out the refugees. We urge our government to normalize relations with Vietnam and offer humanitarian aid, actions which will alleviate the conditions creating the refugee problem.

76. We approved the following minute from Peace and Social Concerns Committee:

In keeping with Friends' testimony against military preparation and all participation in war, we oppose all efforts to reinstate compulsory registration or the draft.

Saturday, August 18, 1:30 P.M.

77. We approved the minute on requests to Monthly Meetings:

We request that each Monthly Meeting

1. reaffirm both our spiritual and historical grounds for conscientious objection;
2. become knowledgeable about selective service registration, the draft, conscientious objection, and other forms of draft resistance;
3. approach members in the Meeting who face the prospect of registration and the draft and offer counseling to them;
4. record in the minutes of their business meetings the name of any Friend or non-Friend who requests to go on record as a conscientious objector.

78. We approved the minute on nuclear weapons.

Because nuclear weapons endanger the survival of humanity, we urge the United States government now to halt further development and production of nuclear weapons, as a first step toward worldwide disarmament and toward conversion to a worldwide peace economy.

79. The epistle from Junior Yearly Meeting was read by its Clerk, Jane Gatti.

JUNIOR YEARLY MEETING EPISTLE

To Friends Everywhere,

New England Junior Yearly Meeting of Friends gathered together at Wheaton College in Norton, Massachusetts from August 13th to the 18th, 1979. Our theme this year was "All in the Quaker Family."

We began our week by joining with over 100 other Friends for an all-age "Get Acquainted" party. Michael Carter, our Youth Secretary, led us in many trust exercises, and we all had a great time. One night we joined the Young Friends and their guest, "Brother Blue," for an evening of storytelling. During our days, we played many "New Games," and also spent time discussing how we felt about marriage and the family. We also spent one evening with square-dancing and another night we went roller skating.

On the last full day of Yearly Meeting, JYM sponsored an all-age festival called "A Family Affair." Our younger members entertained us with a very good puppet show and we also had professional huggers, body painting and the junior high group ran a "Quaker-Computer-Family-Matching-Service" which worked out well.

On the last night, JYM presented a talent show called "All in the Quaker Family," and afterwards we joined Young Friends and adults for a live coffee house.

Despite the number of bees that found us at Wheaton College, we had a great time. We all look forward to our 1980 session which will be the 50th anniversary of New England Junior Yearly Meeting.

Jane Gatti, Clerk

Amy Hathaway, Clerk
Epistle Committee

80. The epistle from Young Friends was read by their Clerk, Lisa Paulin.

YOUNG FRIENDS EPISTLE

To Friends Everywhere:

Young Friends at New England Yearly Meeting met at Wheaton College in Norton, Massachusetts, from the 13th to 18th of the month of August 1979. There was a special feeling of sentiment as we realized that this was our last Yearly Meeting here.

Young Friends have felt a feeling of transition this Yearly Meeting due to the founding of Young Adult Friends, a support group for people of ages 18-35 who are in a transitory stage of their lives. The formation of Young Adult Friends has left Young Friends with the feeling of sudden responsibility which has caused a fluctuating energy level within Young Friends as people adjust to their changing roles.

Besides there being changing roles for Young Friends there have also been new beginnings. Over half of the group this year were first-year Young Friends.

One of the events that Young Friends were involved in this year was a square dance which brought together both young and old in a spirit of dancing. Also on the schedule was a Quaker Family Festival in which Friends received the family member they never had but always wanted. On the last night of Yearly Meeting, Young Friends sponsored a Coffee House in which all were encouraged to participate. Singing and loving were among the activities enjoyed at the Coffee House.

One of the people who affected Yearly Meeting was a Dr. Hugh Morgan Hill, otherwise known as "Brother Blue." Brother Blue is a storyteller who has performed throughout the world, presenting his stories in a style that can be interpreted on many levels. Many people of every age commented all through Yearly Meeting that Brother Blue had added a new spiritual insight to this year's Yearly Meeting.

During the week Young Friends have been considering what have been some important pressing issues such as the Draft and Nuclear Power. These issues not only concern us but concern many other people who we feel must become involved. Discussions and films presented the issue of Nuclear Power and we discussed the medical effects of radiation. We feel stronger and we understand this issue much better than before. Letters will be sent to every New England Monthly Meeting and people have been encouraged to write letters to their government officials expressing their opinions on the Draft. Jon Landau, staff attorney for the Central Committee for Conscientious Objectors, based in Philadelphia, resource person for the workshop on the Draft, discussed with us the possible coming of the Draft law. He also talked about the decisions to make if this law passes. Those men and women who wish to be conscientious objectors have to do more thinking and exploring on the issue.

We explored and experienced some of our concerns in our workshops. Of the workshops that we participated in, centering, enlarging human relationships, and the Draft were among the most popular. As we realized our concerns and deepened our understanding of them we, as Young Friends, believe that we must start to take action now. Our feelings of sudden responsibility have added to our awareness of the fact that our community is a vital part of Yearly Meeting.

In the Light,

Young Friends Epistle Committee:
Nathan Wiser, Stephen Schultz
Karen Fitch, Clare O'Shea,
Beth Bullerwell

Lisa Paulin, Clerk

81. Samuel Burgess spoke to the report of the Committee on Aging. The Committee will be ready to respond to any requests for help from individuals and from Monthly Meetings.

COMMITTEE ON AGING

In the past few years the Committee has focused its energies on presenting

conferences on various aspects of Aging and these have been well attended. However, it now appears that the Committee will need to search for a new leading if its energies are to benefit the Yearly Meeting in the future. The Committee has been strong, creative, and productive in years past and may be so again, but will appreciate input from the Yearly Meeting to re-direct it now.

82. Theodore Paullin spoke to the report of the Archives and Historical Records Committee. Monthly Meetings, Yearly Meeting committees and individuals of the Yearly Meeting are encouraged to send archival material, i.e., records, manuscripts, pictures, maps, to the Archives Committee.

ARCHIVES AND HISTORICAL RECORDS COMMITTEE

Our most successful undertaking was a well-attended workshop at Yearly meeting, with eminent people in the field of archival management speaking. Out of it grew a set of guidelines for Meeting Clerks and Recorders, which has now been endorsed by the Committee. We hope that some guidelines might be included in any revision of the Yearly Meeting Discipline.

We have continued the consideration of the suggestion to establish a Yearly Meeting library, apart from the Archives, and have made a partial survey of the libraries maintained by Monthly Meetings. The Committee is not yet ready to make a recommendation on this subject.

The Curator and Assistant Curator attended an informative Document Conservation workshop at Brown University, directed by George Cunha of the New England Document Conservation Center, in November.

We have received a new grant of \$500 from the Obadiah Brown's Benevolent Fund, for continuing the repair of the books of Moses and Obadiah Brown, and other ancient books, 77 in number, which have come to us from Moses Brown School through Frank Fuller, who has been appointed by the Fund to go over their ancient books.

A considerable number of donations of archival materials have been received, including the following:

1. A large number of pictures and memorabilia from the Paige Family of Lynn, given by Willard Ware;
2. Material used at a World Education for Peace booth in 1972 in Providence at the Teachers Institute. The Committee in charge was chaired by Elizabeth Perry of Westerly, and many Rhode Island Friends helped man the booth;
3. The Diary of William Augustus Brown, merchant in Boston, 1843. He had attended Friends School in Providence, 1832-33. From Meriweather C. Schmid;
4. Smithfield Quarterly Meeting Minutes, 1913-1969, and Correspondence of Worcester Friends concerning Pleasant Street Meeting's joining Connecticut Valley Quarterly Meeting, from Willard Ware, former Clerk;
5. Nantucket Monthly Meeting's closing book of Minutes, 1939-1944;
6. Mount Toby Monthly Meeting's Ministry and Counsel Minutes, 1972-1977;
7. Lynn Monthly Meeting, six books of Minutes;
8. Winthrop Monthly Meeting, Maine, five books of records;
9. Papers concerning the uniting of the Yearly Meetings in New England, including a letter from Rufus Jones, from Millicent Foster;
10. Providence Monthly Meeting, two books of Minutes;
11. Three Volumes of *Sufferings of Friends, 1650-1666*, dealing with both England and the Colonies, from Patricia Ritter;
12. Three more tapes of records of Nantucket Meeting, purchased from Robert Lynch.

We have processed 26 genealogical inquiries during the year. These do not include those who used our microfilms at the Rhode Island Historical Society under the care of their staff.

Four scholars have worked with our records, including Christina Jones, who is updating her book on Missions of American Friends for Friends United Meeting, and Sue Wheeler of Boston University, who is studying Salem Friends.

The Committee expresses its deep thanks to Thyra Jane Foster, who continues to donate her time as Curator, and to Ruth Burgess, who gives her help as Assistant Curator.

83. Tracy Booth spoke to the report of the Committee on Prejudice and Poverty. The victims of prejudice and poverty have not changed since the formation of the Committee. The Committee would like suggestions from Monthly Meetings of projects needing support and would encourage more personal involvement in addition to financial contributions.

COMMITTEE ON PREJUDICE AND POVERTY

This has been a year of reassessment for the members of Minute 60 Committee. We began the year seeking unity for a grant request which had brought strong personal feelings to bear previously. With time and God's loving guidance we felt able to fund the request while upholding our sense of principle.

We coordinated with Minute 74 Committee to send out our annual appeal letter. We also felt the need to have more input and contacts from Monthly Meetings and a letter was sent asking their support and suggestions. Little response was generated.

Midwinter found us evaluating our aims, goals, and original charge during a snowbound weekend in Maine. We discussed at length these questions:

Who are the victims of prejudice and poverty?

Have we been on the right track?

How can Friends be more personally involved with these persons?

We felt that the focus had changed somewhat since 1970 and that social awareness had brought many new "victims" into our concern. Yes, we felt we have been on the right track. We trust that the diversity of grant recipients reflect those expanded concerns. While considering recipients we have tried to hold them warmly in the Light and follow spiritual leanings among ourselves.

Missisquoi Band of Abenaki Nation, Putney, Vermont	\$ 375
New England Human Rights Network, via AFSC	255
Somerset Organization for Mutual Assistance, Anson, Maine	1,200
Headrest, West Lebanon, New Hampshire	1,000
Mashpee Indian Reconciliation — Sandra Faxon, Mashpee, Mass.	900
Handicapped Unlimited of Bennington, Vermont	100
Wider City Parish, New Haven, Connecticut	500
International Poultry Workers, Willimantic, Connecticut	750
	<hr/> \$6,425

The generosity of Friends makes this Committee work possible.

84. Dinah Starr, Clerk of New England Friends Home Committee, spoke to her report. Staff is currently needed, resident spaces are available, contact people throughout the Yearly Meeting would be helpful, and donations for the running of the Home would be gratefully received.

NEW ENGLAND FRIENDS HOME COMMITTEE

A recent visitor to the New England Friends Home remarked after a week's stay, "This is a home. You can really tell that God lives here."

We do have a most unusual home under the leadership of Harry and Edith Barron. The average age of our residents is 86; five are 90 or over. It is a group with energy and spirit, and there is a closeness and affection among residents and staff.

This past year we were sad to lose four residents but have been delighted with their replacements. In June we said goodbye to Eileen Pettengill who has served us faithfully and well as assistant director for almost three years.

An open house in the fall was attended by more than 120 people and the Christmas program, to which many friends and relatives were invited, was a great success. Of those who came individually to visit the Home some brought slides or music, one offered residents rides in a horse drawn carriage; Nancy

and Joe Silveira brought three goats; and others brought themselves. All were deeply appreciated. Residents continue to wish for more contact with Friends living nearby or passing through Hingham. Outside attenders at Meetings for Worship (10:30 A.M. each Sunday) are particularly welcome.

We regularly receive news of the Friends' Community, in which we are much interested. We see this as offering an important alternative living situation for older friends but not as a substitute for the Home, which is uniquely in a position to provide an environment in which residents form a close-knit community, participating together in all the activities of their daily living, and in which constant attention is given to their needs.

As indicated in the Treasurer's Report, we succeeded last year in meeting our expenses from a combination of charges to residents, income from investments, and contributions (largely from our local support group, the Friends of Turkey Hill). However, our costs continue to increase with inflation. By raising the rates $2\frac{1}{2}\%$ at the time of each Social Security increase, we are attempting to meet some of the costs without taxing the residents, most of whom have limited financial resources, beyond their means. A significant portion of our operating expenses needs to be met by non-operating income. Since the income from our invested funds can be expected to increase very little, if at all, in the coming years, we will have to find additional sources of financial support. We believe that the atmosphere of the Home reflects a caring and loving concern for individuals which is deserving of the full support of the Yearly Meeting, and hope that Friends will feel moved to respond to our need.

NEW ENGLAND FRIENDS HOME
TREASURER'S REPORT FOR YEAR END DECEMBER 31, 1978

(Subject to Audit)

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES

Operating Revenue			
Residents	\$ 67,729.		
Contributions — Meals and Lodging	110.		\$67,839.
Operating Expense			
Salaries	38,332.		
Provisions	10,923.		
Utilities	7,434.		
Repairs and Maintenance	4,234.		
F.I.C.A.	2,980.		
Consultants	2,896.		
Insurance (Excluding Health)	2,698.		
Employee Health Insurance	2,238.		
Contingency Fund	2,000.		
Car and Travel	1,263.		
Office Supplies and Costs	1,098.		
House Furnishings	1,041.		
Telephone	1,026.		
Operating Supplies	1,015.		
Laundry	517.		
Subscriptions and Activities	424.		
Director's Discretionary Fund	208.		
Advertising (For Staff)	102.		
Education	17.		
Depreciation - Buildings	\$ 4,810.		
Furnishings	529.		
Auto	1,100.	6,439.	86,885.
Operating Income (Deficit)			(\$19,046.)
Non-Operating Income			
Contributions	\$ 3,813.		
Income from Huntington-Dixon Trust and Other Funds	\$ 7,970.		
Less Subsidies to Residents	840.	7,130.	

Interest Income	8,607.	
Miscellaneous	74.	\$ 19,624.
Balance - Increase to General Fund		\$ 578.

**BALANCE SHEET
DECEMBER 31, 1978**

Current Assets		
Cash - 8-Year Term Certificate	\$ 37,011.	
4-Year Term Certificate	36,961.	
Checking Account	4,269.	
90-Day Notice Account	2,503.	
Petty Cash	250.	\$ 80,994.
Notes Receivable - Friends Community Development Corporation		20,000.
Fixed Assets		
Building and Grounds	\$196,165.	
Less Depreciation	27,049.	\$169,116.
Furniture and Equipment	5,758.	
Less Depreciation	2,888.	2,870.
Automobile	5,583.	
Less Depreciation	1,683.	3,900.
TOTAL		\$276,880.
Liabilities		
Deposits (Residents)		\$ 2,370.
Funds - Building and Grounds	\$193,240.	
General	44,453.	
Restricted	34,817.	
Contingency Fund	2,000.	274,510.
TOTAL		\$276,880.

Income Statement

Operating revenues in fiscal 1978 were a standoff from the prior period. At \$68,000, operating revenues are approximately 78% of expenses of the Home.

Operating expenses increased \$8,591 or 12.8% over 1977. Major sources of increases were for Staff and related expenses. Salaries were up \$5,571, Health Insurance \$778, and F.I.C.A. up \$377. Balance of major increase is attributed to establishment of Contingency Fund which has not been provided in prior periods. There was a significant decrease in our Utility Expenses of \$1,171.

Operating Deficit increased to \$19,046 from last year - \$12,176.

Fortunately, non-operating income in most categories increased by \$3,725 over 1977. Significant increases were in income from the Huntington-Dixon Trust and interest income.

Earnings statement shows overall balance of \$578 which was transferred to the General Fund.

Balance Sheet

There are not significant changes in either the current or fixed assets and on liabilities over the prior period 1977.

During 1978, we did rearrange some of our invested assets to long-term savings certificates and called the \$5,000 Note from the Friends Community Development Corporation which were added to our working funds.

John L. Eavenson, Treasurer

85. Clarabel Marstaller told of Wider Ministries sponsoring a visitation throughout New England this spring of Marian Baker of Weare Meeting in New Hampshire. Marian is a teacher in Kenya. Hermann Patt will represent New England Yearly

Meeting on the Associated Committee of Friends on Indian Affairs.

WIDER MINISTRIES COMMITTEE

Income from the Freedmen's Funds allowed us to give \$400 scholarships to two students at Meharry Medical School, Tennessee, and two students at St. Augustine's, North Carolina. We hope to allow a sum for the summer enrichment program at Meharry again this year.

We made arrangements for Marian Baker, headmistress at a girls' school in Kenya, to visit several Meetings in New England in May.

Word has been received from Nirmal Kaul, Clerk of the General Conference of Friends in India, that plans for a Quaker Centre in Agra, India, are temporarily in abeyance.

FRIENDS UNITED MEETING COMMITTEE

We have represented New England Yearly Meeting at Friends United Meeting Boards and Commissions. David Douglas of the General Services Commission attended the Curriculum Conference in January. From that Conference a recommendation was approved to continue publishing the Living Light curriculum series.

A "Fourth Century Fund" to raise an endowment for FUM programs is just getting underway.

We are happy that Kara Cole, Administrative Secretary of Friends United Meeting, and Howard Alexander, Peace and Social Concerns volunteer, are sharing with us at this Yearly Meeting.

86. The following reports are from committees which did not specifically report to the Yearly Meeting on their activities but which had submitted written reports.

FRIENDS WORLD COMMITTEE FOR CONSULTATION REPRESENTATIVES

The second cross-the-border regional meeting of the Canadian Atlantic Provinces Friends and the New England Friends took place September 15-17 at China Lake. Twenty Friends attended, six from Canada and the rest from New England. Members of the group assumed responsibility for the food buying and cooking. We found that this shared responsibility drew us close together, giving a communal or family feeling to our meeting. The discussion topics came from the concerns of attenders. They were deeply considered and in one session developed into a gathered meeting. It was felt that our gathering was eminently worthwhile, and those attending look forward with enthusiasm to another cross-the-border meeting in the future.

RIGHT SHARING OF WORLD RESOURCES

"When I came into this group, I expected to have laid on me a guilt trip about sharing, but instead it has opened for me new opportunities to share." This is what one Friend said after attending the workshop sponsored by the Right Sharing Committee during Yearly Meeting 1978 and this is what we feel to be our charge as a Committee. We all are involved, voluntarily or involuntarily, in a system which uses resources wastefully and depends for its stability upon ever-spiraling demand for these material resources. We live in a system which consumes more than its share (5½% of the world's population using up to 40% of the world's non-renewable resources) which inevitably leads to war. In order to save ourselves we must learn to share in the problems confronting all nations. Under the weight of this concern our Committee has tried to study and to educate ourselves that we may be catalysts in our Meetings, to bring about change in our personal and corporate lives.

Our Committee has worked on a program which we hope to bring to Meetings next year which will speak to the Query, "How can we as Friends move closer to a lifestyle consonant with maximum conservation of the world's resources, realizing that seeking possession of these resources is a major cause of international rivalry and leads to armed conflict?"

MOSHER BOOK AND TRACT COMMITTEE

The Committee reports that it is continuing to subscribe to **Quaker Life** for most of New England's Friends' pastors, and to **Friends Journal** for the Friends Home in Hingham. It advanced funds to Ernest Weed to assure the publication of his history of Beacon Hill Friends House. It has also given to Beacon Hill directly funds to add books and Pendle Hill pamphlets to its library.

In the publication field, we have also, via the Friends Historical Society, helped Arthur Worrall, of Colorado State University, to prepare for publication an updated reissue of the New England volume of Rufus Jones' "History of Friends in the American Colonies."

We have confined our outright gifts of books to Meetings to new Monthly Meetings. Both Acadia and Wilderness Meetings have received Brinton's **Friends for Three Hundred Years** as a special gesture of welcome.

An increasing topic of conversation and concern is the possibility of getting republished as paperbacks desirable books on Quaker subjects that have gone out of print as hard-covers. Under continuing discussion is the establishment of a library of tapes of Quaker talks and round-tables.

FRIENDS' EDUCATIONAL NEEDS COMMITTEE

The Friends' Educational Needs Committee has spent considerable time this year trying to decide exactly what direction it should go and how it should get there. It has been apparent to us for some time that many Friends, ourselves included, have become uneasy with the role that Quakers have in the field of education. In wanting to keep things operating smoothly, or sometimes in order to keep our jobs, we find ourselves supporting values we do not agree with, values which many of us feel are no longer relevant to society at large. Moreover, the violence and restrictiveness prevalent in society finds its reflection in our school environments with increasing frequency and severity. Those who have attempted to stem this tide, trying to make our schools humane places which reflect more Quakerly values, too often find their efforts hindered or thwarted by administrations or school boards. Our purpose this year has been to try to arrive at a basic description of what Friends strive for in education in the form of a testimony for education. To help us focus in on this we have begun to collect possible queries about education from various sources.

Our other main concern is to support those in the educational field who face difficulties as they attempt to live their Quakerism within the school system. We have come up with a program for this coming year involving a great deal of inter-visitation with Monthly Meetings throughout the Yearly Meeting, the setting up of workshops, and possibly visiting schools.

STUDENT LOAN AND SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

This committee administers funds for educational purposes above the secondary level to members and children of members of New England Yearly Meeting. The service is in the form of revolving loans. Inquiries may be addressed to the Committee Clerk who will reply with the statement of purpose and policy, procedure and application form. The loan fund now stands above \$15,500 and outstanding loans now total below \$7,000. The committee stands ready to help applicants for whom these funds might make all the difference in a chance at further education. We plan to continue the commitment to help with higher education that has been made by those who established these funds and by many who have been recent donors.

87. Moses Bailey suggested that the Yearly Meeting send a letter of appreciation and thanks for past service to Andrew Young, who has just resigned as United Nations Ambassador from the United States. This was approved.

88. The Clerk read a letter from Irvén Roberts on behalf of the Trustees of Friends Community, expressing appreciation for the support given them by the New England Yearly Meeting during their first five years. Now that they are taking a more

independent course, they still hope to maintain informal communication with our Nominating Committee in regard to Friends who might be interested in serving on their Board.

89. We have asked the Correspondence Committee to send letters of greeting to Donnell and Elizabeth Boardman and to Marian Baker, all in Kenya, Africa.

90. Miriam Brown, for the Correspondence Committee, read the final draft of our Yearly Meeting epistle. We approved.

GENERAL EPISTLE

To Friends Everywhere:

New England Yearly Meeting of Friends gathered this year for its sessions on the beautiful campus of Wheaton College from August 13 to 18. The variety of ages among us brought us the charm of children and infants, the joy of youth, and the crisp wisdom of age. The loving care of parents was an unspoken expression of love and understanding.

After year-long consideration at both Yearly Meeting and local Meeting levels, we established the New England Friends Peace Tax Fund to receive and hold money in escrow from those Friends who are refusing to pay that portion of their income taxes used for military purposes.

We heard an account of a three-months survey for the American Friends Service Committee of the problems of refugees in Malaysia, carried out by a young couple who had served in Vietnam during the war and knew the people and the language. These young Friends carried out their assignment in a most loving way, and brought back knowledge to be used as the basis for informed action, by both governmental and private agencies, to help relieve dreadful suffering.

How can we carry our Friends' spiritual strength into Friends' action? Eighteen million refugees in the world today need help; so do battered women and prisoners and mal-treated minorities, long subjects of Friends' concern, and many others to whose problems we are newly sensitized, such as gay and lesbian Friends. Are we to be crushed by the griefs and injustices of the world? "Never despair; to despair is to say yes to evil" said a young attender. In the story of Le Chambon, a small French village which made itself into "a city of refuge" (Deuteronomy 19) and saved in the Holocaust thousands of Jews, the question is asked "Why did goodness happen here?" It happened because that little community had leaders who cared passionately for their fellow human beings, and it had people prepared to follow their leaders.

It is a question we must all ask ourselves: "How can I make goodness happen here?" It is a question we must pray to have strength to answer in the right way. As we experience the deep fellowship among us, and look at our many promising and devoted young people, we have hope.

With loving greetings on behalf of New England Yearly Meeting of Friends,

Sylvia S. Perry, Clerk
Barbara W. Haddad, Recording Clerk

91. We leave Wheaton College with lives enriched and purpose renewed by opportunities to worship and to think and talk with beloved and like-minded people on matters of the Spirit and of the world around us. After a year which we hope will be one of strengthened witness to our concerns, we intend to meet again, August 11-16, 1980, in Gorham, Maine.

SYLVIA S. PERRY, Presiding Clerk
BARBARA W. HADDAD, Recording Clerk

We hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes as approved from time to time in the foregoing schedule of sessions, to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Sylvia S. Perry

YEARLY MEETING PROGRAM

1979

Monday, August 13

- 11:00 A.M. Permanent Board
 2:30 P.M. Representatives Meeting
 3:45 Meeting for Worship
 4:30 Business Session: Introduction of Visiting Friends, Junior Yearly Meeting and Young Friends Staff. Report of Permanent Board, Faith and Practice Review Committee
 6:45 Junior Yearly Meeting Parents and Staff Meeting
 7:45 Keynote Speaker, Edwin E. Hinshaw, "Few are Guilty, All are Responsible"
 9:00 First Night Party for all Ages

Tuesday, August 14

- 7:15 A.M. Early Morning Worship
 8:45 Bible Half Hour, Kara L. Cole, "The Kingdom of God: Those Covenant People Who Had to Have a Messiah"
 9:30-10:30 Worship-Sharing Groups
 10:45-12:15 Business Session: Report of Ministry and Counsel, State of Society, Ministry and Counsel Concerns, Quarterly Meeting Concerns
 1:30 P.M. Workshops
 3:15-4:15 Committee Meetings
 4:30-5:00 Reports on Wider Quaker Interests: Friends Community
 7:00 Informal Singing
 Business Session: Peace and Social Concerns Committee, Peace Tax Fund, Committee on Sufferings
 9:00 Representatives Meeting

Wednesday, August 15

- 7:15 A.M. Early Morning Worship
 8:45 Bible Half Hour, Kara Cole, "The Kingdom of God: Who is This King of the Jews?"
 9:30 Worship-Sharing Groups
 10:45 Business Session: Field Secretary, Statistics, Administrative Secretary, Executive Council Report and Staff Recommendations, Nominating Committee, Moses Brown School Overseers
 1:30 P.M. Workshops
 3:15 Committee Meetings for Organization
 4:30 Wider Quaker Interests: Joe Gerson on The Middle East
 7:00 Informal Singing
 Evening Program: Julie Forsythe and Thomas Hoskins, "American Responsibilities in Southeast Asia"
 9:00 Square Dance
 Committee Meetings for Organization

Thursday, August 16

- 7:15 Early Morning Worship
 8:45 Bible Half Hour, Kara Cole, "The Kingdom of God: Ragtags to Riches for Kingdom Citizens"
 9:30 Worship-Sharing Groups
 10:45 Business Session: Junior Yearly Meeting, Young Friends, Youth Secretary, Young Adult Friends
 1:30 P.M. Workshops
 3:15 Committee Meetings for Organization
 4:30 Wider Quaker Interests: Joy Kremetz on International Seminars for Training in Non-Violent Action
 7:00 Informal Singing
 Business Session: Reports from Committees on Aging, Archives and Historical Records, Prejudice and Poverty, Mosher Book and Tract, Student Loan and Scholarship
 9:00 Executive Council

Friday, August 17

- 7:15 A.M. **Early Morning Worship**
 8:45 **Bible Half Hour**, Kara Cole, "The Kingdom of God: Do Quakers Belong?"
 9:30 **Worship-Sharing Groups**
 10:45 **Business Session:** Finance Committee, Adoption of Budget, Board of Managers of Investments and Permanent Funds, Auditors, Correspondence Committee, Representatives; Executive Council, Plans for next Yearly Meeting
 12:15 P.M. **United Society of Friends Women Luncheon**
 2:00 **Trip to Friends Community**, North Easton
 2:15 **Wider Quaker Interests:** Kara Cole and Howard Alexander on Friends United Meeting
 3:00 **Festival Celebration** for all ages
 4:00 **Workshops**
 7:00 **Informal Singing**
 Evening Session, Marjorie Swann and George Bliss, "Priorities for Building a Non-Violent Society"
 9:00 **Informal Performances**

Saturday, August 18

- 7:15 A.M. **Early Morning Worship**
 8:45 **Bible Half Hour**, Kara Cole, "The Kingdom of God: The Servant Model and Other Unpopular Ideas"
 9:30 **Worship-Sharing Groups**
 10:45 **Business Session:** Equalization Fund Committee, Friends World Committee for Consultation, Committee Concerns
 1:30 P.M. **Concluding Business Session:** Epistle, Concluding Minute
 2:30 **Meeting for Worship**
 3:30 **Permanent Board**

WORKSHOPS

1. Military Recruiting and the Draft: Friends' Responses.
2. Exploring War Tax Resistance: Its Spiritual Roots, Quaker Context, and Legal Implications.
3. Disarmament and Quaker Perspectives on National Security.
4. Maintaining Sanity at Home and at School.
5. Exploring our Attitudes Toward Children.
6. The Role of Right Sharing in Building a Peaceful Economy.
7. Enlarging Human Relationships.
8. Centering.
9. Sharing Our Faith: Inreach/Outreach.
10. New Vocational Beginnings: Forced or Voluntary.
11. Friends Schools and Minority Participation.
12. Values in Education.
13. Bible Study: The Prophets.
14. Training for Silence: Creative use of silence outside of Meeting for Worship.

Tabulated Statement of Membership Changes in New England Yearly Meeting for the Year Ending 12-31-1978

	Gains										Losses																	
	No. of Members, 1977	Omissions last Report	Additions by Birth	Additions by Request	Addition from another Friends Meeting	Total Additions	Error in last Report	Death	Discontinuance, Resignation or Disowment	Cert. to other Frds. Mtg. Letter to another Den.	Total Loss	No. Members this Year	Net Gain	Net Loss	Number of Males	Number of Females	Number under age 25	Number over age 65	Number of Junior Mbrs.	Jr. Members Trans. to Active Membership	No. of Resident Mbrs.	No. of Non-Resident Members	Att'd. at Sun. Wor. (est.)	Sojourning & Affil. Mbrs.	Part. Sun. Classes or Dis.	Reg. Weekday Meetings	Mbrs. attending Friends' Schools and Colleges	
Hartford	237	0	1	7	0	8	0	5	0	2	0	7	238	1	0	99	139	67	40	71	1	153	85	84	0	80	5	1
Middletown	35	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	35	0	0	15	20	9	2	8	0	20	15	20	0	10	0	0
Mt. Toby	229	0	0	2	1	3	0	1	16	7	2	26	206	0	23	109	97	56	23	75	3	142	64	86	0	52	0	7
New Haven	76	0	1	0	1	2	0	0	6	1	2	9	69	0	7	31	38	17	7	21	2	34	35	35	4	25	1	2
New London	29	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	29	0	0	9	20	9	10	0	0	19	10	20	0	0	0	1
Storrs	74	0	2	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	1	75	1	0	32	43	29	4	23	1	49	26	38	0	35	1	4
Watertown	15	0	4	3	0	7	0	0	1	0	0	1	21	6	0	8	13	8	5	6	0	19	2	15	0	5	0	0
Conn. Valley Q.M.	695	0	8	13	2	23	0	7	24	10	4	45	673	0	22	303	370	195	91	204	7	436	237	298	4	207	7	15
Concord	19	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	1	0	13	7	0	1	0	0	20	0	10	1	6	2	0
Dover	114	0	0	2	0	2	2	1	0	0	0	3	113	0	1	44	69	18	28	18	0	79	34	42	7	15	0	0
Weare	52	0	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	54	2	0	25	29	5	19	0	0	26	28	8	0	0	0	0
Dover Q.M.	185	0	0	2	3	5	2	1	0	0	0	3	187	2	0	82	105	23	48	18	0	125	62	60	8	21	2	0
Durham	137	0	1	0	0	1	0	2	0	1	0	3	135	0	2	53	82	30	26	31	0	81	54	46	0	28	3	0
Parsonsfield	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	0	0	16	14	2	4	0	0	17	13	4	0	0	0	0
Portland	80	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	1	4	76	0	4	25	51	14	26	13	0	58	18	35	0	20	1	0
Sandwich	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	2	6	0	7	0	0	3	5	25	0	0	0	0
Windham	47	0	0	1	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	2	46	0	1	14	32	0	15	0	0	46	0	35	0	38	0	0
Falmouth Q.M.	302	0	1	1	0	2	0	4	2	2	1	9	295	0	7	110	185	46	78	44	0	205	90	145	0	86	4	0
Bennington	35	0	0	2	1	3	2	0	1	3	0	6	32	0	3	12	20	5	8	5	0	18	14	12	0	1	1	0
Burlington	50	0	0	2	2	4	0	0	0	4	0	4	50	0	0	21	29	10	6	10	0	23	27	28	1	10	0	0
Hanover	97	0	4	2	2	8	3	0	1	2	0	6	99	2	0	46	53	35	15	34	0	63	36	55	0	20	1	1
Middlebury	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	19	0	1	6	13	1	2	0	0	17	2	8	0	0	0	0
Monadnock	46	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	2	6	0	8	39	0	7	20	19	6	5	6	0	24	15	12	0	0	0	0
Plainfield	39	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	39	0	0	15	24	6	1	0	0	29	10	12	6	0	0	1

Putney	19	1	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	2	0	2	19	0	4	15	1	4	0	0	15	4	9	0	0	0
S. Starksboro	11	0	3	2	10	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	0	5	6	7	3	4	0	0	11	15	0	0	0
Wilderness	0	0	3	2	10	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	15	0	8	7	3	12	3	0	15	0	0	0	
Northwest Q.M.	317	1	7	9	16	33	5	1	4	17	0	27	323	6	0	137	186	67	57	58	0	204	119	167	7	
N. Dartmouth	41	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	42	1	0	20	22	10	13	3	0	20	22	6	1	0	
Providence	205	0	0	3	2	5	0	1	1	14	0	16	194	0	11	98	96	70	32	50	0	132	62	59	0	
Smithfield	65	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	0	2	64	0	1	25	39	2	30	2	0	47	17	15	0	0	
Westerly	34	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	3	31	0	3	14	17	1	7	1	0	17	14	15	0	0	
*R.I.-Smithfield Q.M.	345	0	0	3	4	7	0	2	3	16	0	21	331	0	14	157	174	83	82	56	0	216	115	95	1	
Acton	41	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	3	0	3	39	0	2	20	19	19	2	18	0	23	16	15	0	
Amesbury	6	0	0	3	0	3	0	1	0	0	0	1	8	2	0	2	6	2	5	0	5	3	7	0	1	
Cambridge	661	0	9	18	7	34	0	0	3	5	0	17	678	17	0	296	382	181	75	200	0	460	218	388	7	
Lawrence	57	0	0	1	0	1	0	2	0	0	2	56	0	1	20	36	2	20	0	0	35	21	15	1	0	
Lynn	31	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	30	0	1	9	21	2	20	2	0	20	10	7	0	
Wellesley	164	0	2	0	3	5	0	0	6	0	0	6	163	0	1	62	101	63	11	69	1	118	45	70	2	
Salem Q.M.	960	0	11	23	10	44	0	13	9	8	0	30	974	14	0	409	565	269	133	289	1	661	313	502	10	
Allen's Neck	85	0	1	3	0	4	0	1	0	1	0	2	87	2	0	33	54	15	22	18	0	62	25	35	4	
Dartmouth	90	0	0	5	0	5	1	0	0	0	0	1	94	4	0	36	58	20	17	7	0	86	8	28	1	
Marion	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	0	0	3	11	1	4	4	0	14	0	7	0	
New Bedford	57	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	3	54	0	3	24	30	0	0	0	21	33	16	0	0	
Sandwich	100	2	0	3	2	7	0	1	2	0	0	3	104	4	0	42	62	27	33	25	2	74	30	53	1	
Swansea	83	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	83	0	0	41	42	12	9	0	0	43	40	20	10		
Westport	81	0	2	0	0	2	0	1	0	0	0	1	82	1	0	31	51	12	39	12	0	58	24	22	0	
Sandwich Q.M.	510	0	3	11	2	18	1	6	2	1	0	10	518	8	0	210	308	87	124	66	2	358	160	181	6	
Acadia	0	0	1	5	7	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	13	13	0	5	8	3	2	3	0	13	0	30	0	
China	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	2	22	0	2	5	17	0	14	0	0	9	13	70	0	
Cobscook	0	0	0	1	5	6	0	0	0	0	0	6	6	0	3	3	1	0	0	0	6	0	6	3	0	
Midcoast	39	0	0	1	3	4	1	0	0	3	0	4	39	0	0	16	23	8	12	7	0	28	11	33	0	
North Fairfield	26	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	27	1	0	10	17	1	12	0	0	13	14	20	0	
Oak Grove	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	1	3	0	3	0	0	1	3	0	0	0	
Orono	23	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	1	0	9	15	5	6	1	0	19	5	16	0	
Vassalboro	68	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	69	1	0	34	35	14	10	7	0	50	19	30	0	
Winthrop	92	0	0	5	0	5	0	1	0	0	1	2	95	3	0	29	66	8	18	0	0	73	22	71	0	
Vassalboro Q.M.	276	0	1	14	16	31	1	2	0	4	1	8	299	23	0	112	187	40	77	18	0	212	87	276	3	
**Worcester-Pleasant St.	127	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	30	1	0	31	97	0	30	38	59	0	0	0	58	39	35	0	15	
Totals	3717	1	31	77	53	164	9	36	74	65	6	184	3697	0	20	1558	2139	810	690	753	10	2475	1222	1759	39	
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DIRECTORY OF MEETINGS

Direct Correspondence to Clerk or Pastor

CONNECTICUT VALLEY QUARTERLY MEETING

Connie Comfort, Clerk. Held on the first weekends of February and May, and the third weekend in October. In February at West Hartford; in May at New Haven, Middletown, or Storrs; in October at Mt. Toby. Hours of meeting vary. Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Counsel at the call of Clerk, Wendell Clepper.

Meeting	Location	Sunday Worship	Sunday Study	Business Meeting	Clerk, Corres., Pastor
Hartford Mo. Meeting	144 S. Quaker Lane, West Hartford, CT 06119	10:00	11:00	2nd Sunday, 11:30	Theodore Paullin, Clerk
Middletown Mo. Meeting	Russell House, Cor. Washington and High Streets, Middletown, CT	10:00		3rd Sunday, homes of mem- bers, 7:30	Walter Morris, Clerk
Mt. Toby Mo. Meeting	Rte. 63, two miles into Leverett from Amherst. Mail: RFD 3, Amherst 01002	11:00 10:00 June-Aug.	10:00	4th Friday, 7:30	Helen Holmes, Clerk
Berkshire All'd. Meeting	Home of Lester Clarke, Rt. 102, South Lee, MA	11:00			Lester Clarke, Corres.
Greenfield Prep. Meeting	Woolman Hill, Deerfield, MA	10:00		2nd Sunday, 10:00	Carol Letson, Corres.
Northampton Worship Group	Home of Bruce Hawkins, 61 Henshaw Ave., Northampton, MA	10:00 except 4th Sun.			Bruce Hawkins, Corres.
New Haven Mo. Meeting	Faculty Room, Conn. Hall, Old Campus, Yale U., New Haven, CT	9:45	9:45 11:00 1st Sun., Seeker's Session	2nd Sunday, 11:00	Lesley Higgins, Clerk
New London Monthly Mtg.	Thames Science Center, Gallows Lane, New London, CT 06320	10:00	11:00	3rd Sunday, 11:00	Bettie Chu, Clerk
Storrs Monthly Meeting	57 Hunting Lodge Rd., Storrs, CT 06268	10:00	2nd & 4th Sundays	3rd Sunday, 11:15	Martha Roberts, Clerk

Watertown Monthly Mtg.	Public Library, 470 Main St., Watertown, CT	10:00	1st Sunday, 11:00	Susan Kohout, Clerk
Worcester-Pleasant St. Monthly Mtg.	901 Pleasant St., Worcester, MA 01612	11:00	2nd Sunday, 1:00	Margaret Angell, Clerk

DOVER QUARTERLY MEETING

Graham Chynoweth, Clerk. Held on the fourth Sunday in April at Dover, on the Third Saturday in August at Weare (Henniker Meeting House), and on the fourth Saturday in October in Gonic. Worship at 11:00 a.m.; luncheon at noon; 1:00 p.m. business and program; except Dover where worship is at 10:30.

Meeting	Location	Sunday Worship	Sunday Study	Business Meeting	Clerk, Corres., Pastor
Concord Monthly Mtg.	Merrimack Valley Day Care Ctr., 19 N. Fruit St. (near corner of Pleasant St.), Concord, NH	10:00		2nd Sunday, after worship	Judy Chynoweth, Clerk
Dover Monthly Meeting	Consult Clerk for place of Business Meeting (alternates Dover & Gonic)			Sunday before Q.M. following Worship; or at call of Clerk	Shirley Leslie, Clerk
Dover Prep. Meeting	141 Central Ave., Dover, NH 03820 (mail to P.O. Box 98)	10:30	10:45	2nd Tuesday, except July & August	Lydia Willits, Clerk
Gonic Prep. Meeting	Maple Street, Gonic, NH	10:30		1st Sunday, 11:45	Edith Teague, Clerk
West Epping Prep. Mtg.	Friend St., off Old Rt. 101, West Epping, NH	10:30		2nd Wed., 6:30	Fritz Bell, Clerk
Souhegan Worship Group	Red Brick School house just off Town Common, Amherst, NH	1st & 3rd Sundays 9:30			Paul Barton, Corres.
Weare Monthly Meeting	Federated Church, North Weare, NH	9:45, except 11:00 July & August		Nov.-Apr., 1st Friday, homes of members, 8:00; May-Oct., 2nd Sunday, 11:30 at Henniker	Henry T. Osborne, Clerk Quentin Huntley, Pastor Henry T. Osborne, Corres.
Henniker Mtg. for Worship	Henniker, NH	10:30 2nd & 4th Sundays			Henry T. Osborne, Corres.
Pittsfield Mtg. for Worship	Pittsfield, NH	10:30, 3rd Sunday in August			Henry T. Osborne, Corres.
Unity Meeting for Worship	Quaker City, 7 miles south of Claremont, Unity, NH	11:00 1st Sunday in August			Henry T. Osborne, Corres.

FALMOUTH QUARTERLY MEETING

Margaret Wentworth, Clerk. Held on the last Saturday in January, April, and October and the fourth Saturday in August. In January at Portland, April at Durham, August at Sandwich, October at Windham. Worship and program at 10:30 a.m., business meeting at 1:00. Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Counsel at call of Clerk, Ramona Moore.

Meeting	Location	Sunday Worship	Sunday Study	Business Meeting	Clerk, Corres., Pastor
Durham Monthly Meeting	Rt. 125 between Freeport and Lisbon Falls, Durham, Maine	10:00	11:00	3rd Wednesday, 7:30	Helen White, Clerk Peter Crysdale, Pastor
Lewiston Worship Group	Alumni House, Bates College, 31 Frye St., Lewiston, ME	10:00	10:15	1st Sunday, after Worship	Margaret Rotundo, Corres.
Parsonsfield Mo. Meeting	East Parsonsfield, ME	Contact Clerk		Call of Clerk	Dorothy Bickford, Clerk
Portland Friends Meeting	1837 Forest Ave., Portland, ME	10:00 9:30 summer	10:00	1st Sunday, after worship	Glennice Hutchins, Clerk
Sandwich Monthly Meeting	North Sandwich, NH	10:30 July & August		Call of Clerk	Marion I. Spaulding, Clerk
Windham Monthly Meeting	Route 202, Windham Center, ME	9:00	10:30	3rd Sunday, after Worship	Ramona L. Moore, Clerk

NORTHWEST QUARTERLY MEETING

Frances Ross, Clerk. Held at Farm and Wilderness Foundation, Plymouth, Vermont, September 8-9, 1979, Burlington, host; Bennington, VT, December 1, 1979; Putney, VT, March 1, 1980; Farm and Wilderness Foundation, June 7-8, Wilderness, host. Meeting on Ministry and Counsel at 4:00 p.m., Saturday, September and June; 8:00 p.m., Friday, December and March, Edmund and Kathryn Wright, Clerks.

Bennington Monthly Mtg.	Monument Elementary School W. Main, Bennington, VT (Mail to Box 221, Bennington 05201)	10:30		Call of Clerk	Marie P. Condon, Clerk
Burlington Monthly Mtg.	Back of 179 N. Prospect St., Burlington, VT	11:00	9:45	1st Sunday, after Worship (may vary)	Alice L. Wiser, Clerk
Hanover Monthly Meeting	29 Rope Ferry Rd., Hanover, NH 03755	10:45		2nd Sun., 1:00 Sept.-June	Kathryn Youtz & Edmund Wright, Clerks

Middlebury Monthly Mtg.	Shannon Street School, Middlebury, VT	11:00	3rd Sunday, after Worship	Jean Rosenberg, Clerk
Monadnock Monthly Mtg.	Library Hall, Peterborough, NH	10:45 9:45 May-Oct.	3rd Sunday, after Worship	Philip A. Towle, Clerk
Keene All'd. Meeting	Hildebrandt Home, 97 Wilbur St., Keene, NH; phone 357-0796	10:30		Charles Hildebrandt, Corres.
Plainfield Monthly Mtg.	Kellogg-Hubbard Library, Montpelier, VT; Summer, in homes	10:30	3rd Sunday, after Worship	Charles and Wynne Browne, Clerks
Putney Monthly Meeting	The Grammar School, Hickory Ridge Rd., Putney, VT	10:30	3rd Sunday, after Worship	Anne Fines, Clerk
Sheldon Worship Group	Home of Richard & Doris Strife, Sheldon, VT	Contact Corres.		Richard Strife, Corres.
S. Starksboro Monthly Mtg.	1 mile east of Bristol, Starksboro, VT	10:30 2nd & 4th Sundays June-October	Call of Clerk	William Birdsall, Clerk
Wilderness Monthly Mtg.	N. entrance Farm & Wilderness Camps, Plymouth, VT	10:30	1st Sunday, after Worship	Kate K. Brinton, Clerk

RHODE ISLAND-SMITHFIELD QUARTERLY MEETING

Providence Monthly Mtg. Conanicut Worship Group	99 Morris Ave., Providence, RI	11:00	2nd Sunday, 1:30 except August	W. Richard Ristow, Clerk
Saylesville Prep. Meeting	Great Road, Lincoln, RI	10:30 July & August	Last Sunday, after Worship	Hazel Meyers, Clerk
Smithfield Monthly Mtg.	126 Smithfield Rd., Woonsocket, RI	11:00	Last Sunday, after Worship	Bessie Ewen, Clerk Laurel Sakariason, Pastor

William Penhallow, Clerk. Held on the third Saturday in October, April, and July. In October 1979 at Saylesville; April 1980 at Worcester; July 1980 at Westerly. Meeting for worship at 11:00 a.m., business meeting at 1:30. Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Counsel at call of Clerk, Katherine Stern.

Meeting	Location	Sunday Worship	Sunday Study	Business Meeting	Clerk, Corres., Pastor
Westerly Monthly Meeting	57 Elm St., Westerly, RI	11:00		Last Sunday, 12:00	Alice C. Wills, Clerk
Worcester-Pleasant Monthly Mtg.	901 Pleasant St., Worcester, MA	10:30 June-Sept. 11:00		2nd Sunday, 1:00	Debra Warren, Corres. Margaret Angell, Clerk
SALEM QUARTERLY MEETING					
James Warram, Clerk. To meet October 14, 1979, at Framingham, MA.					
Action Monthly Meeting	Harvey Wheeler Community Center, cor. Main & Church Sts., W. Concord, MA	10:00	11:00	1st Sunday, 11:00	Elizabeth Muench, Clerk
Amesbury Monthly Meeting	In homes; Contact Clerk	2:30 Wednesday		1st Wed., Sept.-June	Dorothy Jean Averill, Clerk
Amesbury Worship Group	Junction Friend & Greenleaf Sts., Amesbury, MA, Mid-April-October; November-mid-April, contact Corres.	10:00			Barbara Hildt, Corres.
Cambridge Monthly Mtg.	5 Longfellow Park, Cambridge, MA 02138	9:30 & 11:00 10:00 summer	9:30	2nd Thursday, 7:30	James Nicholson, Clerk Neil Allen, Resident
Boston Mtg. for Worship	Beacon Hill Friends House, 6 Chestnut St., Boston, MA 02108	11:00	10:00		
Circuit Prep. Meeting	40 Pond Rd., Jamaica Plain, MA 02130; 522-3745	5:00 6:00 Wed., summer		1st Sunday, 4:00	
Framingham Prep. Mtg.	841 Edmands Rd., Framingham, MA	10:00		3rd Sunday, after Worship	William R. Rogers, Clerk
Hingham Mtg. for Worship	New England Friends Home, 86 Turkey Hill Lane, Hingham, MA 02043	10:30			Harry Barron, Corres.
North Shore Prep. Mtg.	Frost Hall, Gordon College, Wenham, MA	10:30		1st Sunday, 11:30	Jean Putnam, Clerk
Pembroke Mtg. for Worship	Junction Rts. 139 & 53, N. Pembroke, MA	Contact Corres.			Richard Archer, Corres.

Lawrence Monthly Meeting	45 Avon St., Lawrence, MA	11:00 except July & August	10:00	1st Wed., 7:30	Ruth H. Mellor, Clerk
Lynn Monthly Meeting	72 Sillsbee St., off Broad St., Lynn, MA	11:00		Call of Clerk	Richard S. Gove, Clerk
Wellesley Monthly Meeting	26 Benvenue Street, Wellesley, MA 02181	10:30	10:45	2nd Thurs., 8:00	Harold White, Clerk
SANDWICH QUARTERLY MEETING					
Sylvia Bigelow, Clerk. Held on the third Saturday in January, April, July, and October. In October 1979 at Dartmouth; January 1980 at Marion; April at New Bedford. Worship and business after lunch. Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Counsel at call of Clerks, Doris Ashley and Caleb Smith.					
Allen's Neck Monthly Mtg.	Horseneck Rd., Dartmouth, MA	9:45	11:00	4th Wed., 8:00	Wilfred Morrison, Clerk
Dartmouth Monthly Mtg.	Smith Neck Road, South Dartmouth, MA	10:00	9:00	1st Wed., 7:30	Martha Elsaesser, Clerk Don E. Stanley, Pastor
Apponegansett Mtg. for Worship	Apponegansett, near Russells Mills, Dartmouth, MA	9:00 July & August			
Marion Monthly Meeting	Tabor Academy, Spring Street, Marion, MA	10:00	10:00	1st Tues., 4:30	Mark Simon, Clerk
New Bedford Monthly Mtg.	Spring Street, New Bedford, MA			2nd Sunday in March, June, Sept., Dec., 2:30	Cynthia J. Power, Clerk
New Bedford Prep. Mtg.	Spring Street, New Bedford, MA	11:00		Call of Clerk	Caleb . Smith, Clerk
Long Plain Prep. Meeting	Main Street, Acushnet, MA			3rd Sun., April, Oct., 12:00 at Mattapoisett;	Cynthia J. Power, Clerk
Mattapoisett Part. Mtg.	Route 6, 8 miles east of New Bedford, MA	11:00		3rd Wed., July, 5:30 at Long Plain	George A. Robinson, Pastor
North Dartmouth Monthly Mtg.	State Road, Rt. 6, North Dartmouth, MA, between Old Westport Rd. & Tucker Rd.	11:00		1st Sunday, after Worship	Herbert H. Stevens, Jr., Clerk
Sandwich Monthly Meeting				1st Sunday, even months	Harold R. Hutcheson, Clerk

Meeting	Location	Sunday Worship	Sunday Study	Business Meeting	Clerk, Corres., Pastor
Sandwich Prep. Meeting	East Sandwich, MA, off Rt. 6A	11:00			David Douglas, Corres.
Yarmouth Prep. Meeting	58 N. Main St., South Yarmouth, MA	July-August 10:00	11:00	Last Sunday, after Worship	Barbara Day, Clerk
West Falmouth Prep. Mtg.	West Falmouth, MA	11:00		Last Sunday	Dorothy Turkington, Clerk
Swansea Monthly Meeting	Prospect St., Somerset, MA, 1 mile north of Route 6	9:30		Call of Clerk	Dorothy F. Williamson, Clerk
Westport Monthly Meeting	Main Road, Central Village, Westport, MA	10:45	7:30 PM	2nd Sunday, after Worship	Ellsworth B. MacAffee, Pastor Stewart Kirkaldy, Clerk Jean Kennison, Executive Secretary
VASSALBORO QUARTERLY MEETING					
Eleanor Wilson, Acting Clerk. Held on the first Saturday in February, May, November and second Saturday in August. In November 1979 at Orono, in February at North Fairfield, in May at Winthrop, in August at South China. Worship at 11:00 a.m., business meeting at 1:00. Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Counsel at call of Clerk, David Davis.					
Acadia Monthly Meeting	29 Mt. Desert St., Bar Harbor, ME	6:30 P.M. 7:00 July & August		3rd Friday every other month, Jan., etc., 7:30	Melba Wilson, Clerk
Brooksville & Deer Isle Worship Group	Homes of Members	11:00			Helen Lear & Ernest Weed, Corres.
China Monthly Meeting	Worship under care of Com- munity Fellowship Church, South China, ME, off Route 202	10:00	11:15	Wed. after 2nd Thurs., 8:00	Marion E. Jones, Clerk David Van Strien, Pastor
Cobscook Monthly Meeting	Home of Harry & Audrey Snyder, Tamarack Farm, Rte. 189, Whiting, ME	10:00		2nd Sunday, after Worship	Ralph E. Cook, Clerk
Midcoast Monthly Meeting	Skidompha Library, Main Street, Damariscotta, ME	10:00		3rd Friday, homes of members, 7:30	Chouteau Chapin, Clerk

Narramissic Valley Monthly Meeting	Home of David Davis, River Rd., Orland, ME	10:00	2nd Friday, homes of members, 6:00	David L. Davis, Clerk
North Fairfield Monthly Mtg.	Rt. 104, 2½ mi. north of Fairfield Center, N. Fairfield, ME	10:30	3rd Sunday, 1:30	JoAnna Kent, Clerk Lee Austin, Pastor
Oak Grove Monthly Mtg.	Oak Grove-Coburn School, Vassalboro, ME		7:00	Dan Fredricks, Corres.
Orono Monthly Meeting	Maine Christian Association, College Ave., Orono, ME	10:00	2nd Sunday, 7:30	John & Enid Zollweg, Clerks
Vassalboro Monthly Mtg.	Upper Pleasant Street, East Vassalboro, ME	10:00	3rd Sunday, 11:00	Benjamin H. Cates, Clerk
Winthrop Monthly Meeting	Rt. 135, 4 miles east of Winthrop, Winthrop Center, ME	9:00 summer 10:00	1st Sunday, after Worship	David Farr, Clerk William Gordon, Pastor

FRIENDS MEETINGS IN NEW ENGLAND BELONGING TO OTHER YEARLY MEETINGS

Meeting	Location	Sunday Worship	Clerk or Corres.
Housatonic Monthly Meeting (NY)	Rt. 7, New Milford, CT 06776	10:00	Clerk, Box 43, New Milford, CT 06776
Monkton Ridge Monthly Mtg. (NY)	Monkton Ridge, Vermont	9:45	Jessie Thomas, Clerk
Newport, RI (EFCE)	70 Bliss Mine Rd., Middletown, RI	11:00	Ernest Briggs, Clerk
Portsmouth, RI (EFCE)	Middle Road at Hedley St., Portsmouth, RI	11:00	Ruth Lowery, Clerk
Stamford-Greenwich Monthly Mtg. (NY)	572 Roxbury Rd. at Westover Rd., Near Den Rd. Exit of Merritt Pkwy., Stamford, CT	10:00	Peter Bentley, Clerk
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OTHER FRIENDS MEETINGS FOR WORSHIP IN NEW ENGLAND

Location	Hour of Worship	Contact Person
Adams, MA, Maple & Friend Sts.	First Sunday in September, 3:00	Marjorie Bellman
Casco, Maine, Quaker Ridge	Each Sunday, July-August, 10:30	Betsy Maxfield Miller
Center Sandwich, NH, Home of A. Burns Chalmers	First Sunday, 5:00	Elizabeth Chalmers
Little Compton, RI, West Main Road	Fourth Sunday in August, 3:00	Carlton Brownell
Nantucket, MA	June 15-Sept. 15, Meeting House on Fair St., 10:45; Sept. 15-June 15, Library of Maria Mitchell Library Association on Vestal St., 10:30	Renny A. Stackpole
Newport, RI, Cor. Farewell & Marlborough Streets	First and third Sundays, 10:00; in winter at 29 Thames Street	Esther Fisher Benson
South Uxbridge, MA, Rt. 146	No Worship set; Open Saturday & Sunday, 2-4 p.m., May - September	Virginia Wheelock
Martha's Vineyard Island, MA, Lambert's Cove United Methodist Church	Each Sunday, 11:00	Thomas Hodgson

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DECEASED FRIENDS

Allen's Neck	Bertha Waldo	June 12
Amesbury	Ernestine Ramler	
Cambridge	Sylvia Brooks	January
	Mary Traglor Jenkins	January
	Walter Miles	May 15
	John Wilson	
	Martin Ross	October 9
	George Wood	October 21
	Mildred Noyes	November 27
	Glenn McClelland	
	Mildred Tonge	December 28
China	Lena Austin	May 29
Dover	Edith Buffum	
Durham	J. Nathan Douglas	March 29
	Marjorie Cotton	December 13
Hartford	Agnes Boulton	January 26
	Ken Noel	June 7
	Virginia Hedges	July 4
	Daphne Brown	August 13
	Elizabeth Shaw	December 7
Lawrence	Bessie Stott	January 9
	Alfred Lee	October 22
Long Plain	Ruth Taber	February 11
Mattapoisett	Emma Walsh	January 7
Middlebury	Paul Schifman	March
Mt. Toby	Philip Woodbridge	
New Bedford	Walter Frost	
Providence	Gertrude Hammond	October 20
Sandwich, MA	Dorothy Susan Davis	February 7
Westerly	Harvey Chace Perry	September 12
Westport	Frances Whitney	December 26
Windham	Walter Reeves	January 16
	Earl K. Sweatland	May 27
Winthrop	Daryl Cox	

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The 1980 session of New England Yearly Meeting will be held at the University of Southern Maine, Gorham, Maine, August 11-16.

The Permanent Board will meet at the call of the Clerk.

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MINUTES OF New England Yearly Meeting of Friends

Monday, August 11, 7:15 P.M.

1. As New England Yearly Meeting gathered in annual session for its 320th year, the Clerk thought it appropriate to read some words written over 50 years ago by our beloved Maine Friend, Rufus M. Jones, which seemed to speak to our condition in 1980 with remarkable freshness and clarity.

2. With the entire Yearly Meeting in a well attended session, members rose in answer to a roll call by Monthly Meetings.

Roll call of Representatives: ACTON: Joanne Hemenway, Elizabeth Muench; ALLEN'S NECK: Tricia Sittig, Doris A. Ashley; BENNINGTON: Thoreau Raymond; BURLINGTON: Thomas Bassett, Alice Cook Bassett; CAMBRIDGE: Neil Allen, Ann Barclay, Arthur Fink, Rosly Walter, William Watson; CHINA: Miriam J. Brown, Norman Brown; DARTMOUTH: Don E. Stanley, Marcia Glynn, Julia Howland; DOVER: Amna Stabler, Sarah Dawson, Prudence Hand; DURHAM: Nancy Marstaller, Margaret Wentworth; HANOVER: Patricia Higgins; HARTFORD: Henry Baechler, Robert M. Brill, Helen Glenn, James Glading, Lisa Paulin; LAWRENCE: Wilfred Eagles; LITCHFIELD HILLS: Marion Jessell, Florence Carpenter; LYNN: Frances T. Gove; MIDCOAST: Gerritt Van Derwerker; MIDDLEBURY: Elizabeth S. Colman; MONADNOCK: Philip Towle, Ruth Herman; MT. TOBY: Helen Holmes, June Robinson; NEW BEDFORD: Jeannette Smith, Ruth Martocci; NEW LONDON: Jana Noyes; NORTH DARTMOUTH: Ruth Burgess; NORTH FAIRFIELD: Ralph Greene, Lelia E. Taylor; ORONO: Molly Duplisea; NORTH EASTON: Barbara Brooks, Rosalind Cobb, Irven Roberts, Muriel Roberts, Elizabeth Watson, George Watson; PORTLAND: Glenice Hutchins; PROVIDENCE: Ann Kellam, Walter Limehouse, Richard Ristow, Jessie Whiteleather; SANDWICH, MA: Gordon Browne, David Douglas, Jonathan Pyle; SMITHFIELD: Ruth E. Smith; STORRS: Elisabeth Ambellan, John Plank; VASSALBORO: Margaret Cates, Ernest Weed, Eleanor Wilson; WEARE: W. Oscar Frazer, Ruth Woodbridge; WELLESLEY: Shirley Waring, Kathy Frantz, Ruth Hoge, Martha Gordon; WESTERLY: Kathleen Bammer; WESTPORT: Jean Kennison, Wesley C. Panunzio; WORCESTER-PLEASANT STREET: Elizabeth Furst, Anke Bakker, George Furst; WINTHROP: Eleanor Bailey, Hazel Foster, Cecil Farr, Sarah Farr, Alice Whiting; WINDHAM: Ramona Moore, Kathryn Forbes.

3. Visitors were welcomed: Hendrik van der Merwe, Clerk of South Africa General Meeting; Herbert and Bernice Nichols of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting; Elizabeth and Roy Moger, under a traveling minute from New York Yearly Meeting; Herbert and Martha Pettengill and Marjorie and Alan Weisel of New York Yearly Meeting; Alfred and Marian Hoge of Intermountain Yearly Meeting; Doug Hostetter, new Executive Secretary of the New England Regional Office of the American Friends Service Committee; Mary Esther McWhirter and Gail Weinstein, representing Friends World Committee for Consultation, Section of the Americas; Dwight Spann-Wilson, Executive Director of Friends General Conference; John Peters, Mashpee Indian; John and Doris Calder of New Brunswick, Ainsley and Judy Camps of New Brunswick, Betty Peterson of Nova Scotia, and Lora G. Lunt, Canadian Yearly Meeting; Anne Kriebel, new director of Beacon Hill Friends House, and William Kriebel of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting.

4. The Clerk noted the services of Margaret Wentworth, bookstore; Thomas Bassett, editor of our daily newsletter; Clarabel Marstaller, Administrative Secretary; Ellen Paullin, singing leader; and Keith Whitten, Conference Coordinator, University of Southern Maine.

5. Michael Carter, Youth Secretary, introduced the Young Friends staff: Doris Ashley, Tricia Sittig, Gregory Williams.

6. Janet Hoffman, Junior Yearly Meeting coordinator, introduced the staff: Jada St. John, Susan Muench, Patricia Hawkins, Dorothy Meshenuk, Lisa Paulin, Debbie Donovan.

7. Darcy Drayton introduced the staff for pre-school to grade 3: Ann Armstrong, Liz Yeats.

8. Elizabeth G. Watson, Quaker author and lecturer, and now resident at Friends Community, North Easton, Massachusetts, presented the Keynote address: "Strike up for a New World." The reign of God is already in our midst, but it is only ours if we keep seeking it, working for it, righting wrongs, looking backward with love, forward with hope. We find atonement, "at one with God," after we have become as one with our neighbors. Then God gives us the power to work for good, spread good news to the poor, speak power to the government, pray for our new world. We have learned to identify the source of Joy: that is, God.

Tuesday, August 12, 10:45 A.M.

9. An epistle from the Yearly Meeting of the German Democratic Republic was read. Their theme "Quaker belief and our conception of the nature of man" had led to very deep consideration of the meaning of "I am the Light and the way" and a search for recognition of the sources of that light.

10. Douglas Cox presented the report of the Committee on Ministry and Counsel. He stressed the increase in communication to Meetings, especially new groups, and the availability of resource material for outreach, including a map and directory of all Meetings in New England.

COMMITTEE ON MINISTRY AND COUNSEL

We have found it convenient to schedule all-day sessions in conjunction with meetings of the Peace and Social Concerns Committee. Our average attendance has been 24. To equalize the burden of travel and to foster a stronger sense of unity in the Yearly Meeting, we met this year at Portland, Mt. Toby, Cambridge, and Wellesley.

The Committee and its four working parties (Spiritual Life, Family Life and Sexuality, Resources, and Advancement-Inreach/Outreach) have sponsored a number of projects throughout the year. The Committee sponsored a one-day workshop on "Quakerism and Christianity" held at Cambridge in December and co-sponsored with Providence Meeting a weekend retreat on "Wholeness and Holiness" in May. A new working paper on children, a joint effort with Christian Education Committee, is under way and the best seller, *Living with Oneself and Others*, has had to be reprinted. The Advancement Working Party planned New England Friends Day, July 28, as part of Boston's 350th Jubilee Celebration. This included a display and greeters at Boston City Hall and a presentation by Stephen Cary of the American Friends Service Committee. Five workshops are being offered at Yearly Meeting and a sixth is co-sponsored with Peace and Social Concerns Committee.

Regular correspondence has been established with several worship groups that are not under the care of a Monthly Meeting and therefore not represented on the Committee.

The Committee was grateful to be released of responsibility for the Amesbury Meeting House property, but continues a deep concern for Friends in that community.

A joint meeting with Peace and Social Concerns Committee was held in December to discuss the relationship between worship and witness. A sense of the necessity and rightness of action based on faith became clear, both for the effects on our world and on ourselves. It is hoped the New Call to Peacemaking will continue to remind us of this.

A concern for the abuse of Alcohol and Drugs and other personal habits that impede spiritual growth has been growing. A workshop with Miriam Burke is planned for next March on "Self-Defeating Behavior."

The Committee has recognized a need in many meetings to find fresh understanding of the function and methods of Ministry and Counsel. We hope to produce a series of packets of materials for the local Meetings to use in evaluating their needs, resources and opportunities in this area. The first, on Advancement and Outreach, is being distributed now.

11. A statement of the Northeast Regional Conference of the New Call to Peacemaking adopted March 23, 1980, was presented jointly by the Ministry and Counsel and the Peace and Social Concerns Committees for our endorsement. We approved the endorsement of the statement, as presented, with the understanding that we mean no Meeting, large or small, to feel pressured to have a "place" or center for peacemaking, if it is not feasible or agreeable. This is an important statement and the real issue is the strong commitment, as individuals and Meetings, to peace-making. While we strive with zeal, we must take care to be peaceable. It is expected that Meetings will act on this statement as their leadings and resources allow.

**Statement of Northeast Regional Conference
New Call to Peacemaking**

We, a gathering of Friends, Mennonites, Unitarian Universalists and others, called together at Foxhollow Center in Lenox, Massachusetts, March 21-23, 1980 by the New Call to Peacemaking, affirm that Spirit which calls us forth and empowers us to be instruments of peace and justice. Knowing that peace is possible within ourselves and within the world, we find ourselves called to fresh commitment to abolish war and hatred, and to build a sense of true security for ourselves and our society based on love, compassion and justice.

Because the message of peace lies at the very heart of our religious faith, we affirm that every church, congregation or meeting should either itself develop or become a part of a center for peacemaking in its community. We affirm that the teaching of peace and working for peace, within our own fellowships and in the wider world, are fully as integral and basic for a religious body as visiting the sick and the bereaved, counseling the perplexed, and teaching the children the tenets of our faith. A worshipping group, in our view, is not truly complete unless it is at the same time a center for peacemaking, because peacemaking is an outcome of worship.

A center for peacemaking is both a place and a group of people. It provides inspiration, information and training for peace and justice outreach and action. It sponsors programs and action that reach out into the community with the message of peacemaking. As a group of persons committed to religiously based peacemaking, we have the opportunity to share ideas, test leadings, seek guidance, broaden understanding, and serve as a support group to those witnessing for peace. The development of a center for peacemaking will require people and financial resources from peacemakers on a regular and continuing basis.

We recognize the difficulties and struggles of the task before us. We feel the winds of war against our cheeks threatening nuclear holocaust. Increased military budgets and threats, the escalating arms race, and possible conscription give new urgency to the role of peacemakers.

We acknowledge that we must work to change our own lives to bring them more into accord with our professed beliefs. We commit ourselves to work on these personal changes and to strengthen our connection with the Source of truth, power and love in our personal and corporate lives. We further commit ourselves to sharing our vision of a peaceful world.

In the light of this statement we further request that each Monthly Meeting formulate one or more queries relating to their peacemaking practices.

12. Ernest Weed presented the State of Society report. We appreciate this task of integrating all our varied reports into one — always difficult but inspiring and needing great vision. Small discussion meetings, and earnest answering of the queries were suggested as ways for Meetings to approach the formulation of their reports. We have heard less this year of unfinished business and problems. Are we expressing what we are seeking as well as what we have found?

STATE OF SOCIETY OF NEW ENGLAND YEARLY MEETING OF FRIENDS

Each Meeting in the Yearly Meeting is asked to render a report of the state of its Spiritual Condition and reports also came from the Quarterly Meetings. We appreciate the effort which went into the development of these reports and hope the process was beneficial. If the reports received are representative of all the Meetings (some not reporting) the State of the Society seems quite good. This report represents the impressions gained from the several reports by the committee but can not represent the real essence of the individual reports.

Encouraging quotes. Some reports are very good, encouraging and hopeful which is indicated by the following selected quotes: "In many aspects of the Meeting's life there appears an eagerness and a renewed dependence upon the Spirit's leading as the motive for our activity." "We are also aware of a Spiritual hungering, a search for a realistic religious base within a caring community." "The Portland Friends Meeting experienced growth and revitalization during 1979 ending the year with a sense of unity and a renewed dedication among members and attenders to do the Will of God in our personal lives and as a corporate entity." "We believe our meetings for worship, our fellowship and our efforts for Social Justice and Peace are grounded in and motivated by the Holy Spirit." After speaking well of its First Day meetings one Meeting queries, "But what is the Spiritual state of our Meeting outside of regular meeting times?"

Midweek Activities and Outreach. Some of the larger, more active Meetings report a great deal of activity through the week with meetings for worship, discussion and (or) study. The number of midweek gatherings seems to have increased. One Meeting House is used during the week by another religious group.

Some Meetings speak of support of and participation in local community functions and concerns including Councils of Churches, the Indians on Cape Cod, demonstrations against nuclear energy, and prison work. Several speak of support of Friends Committee on National Legislation, American Friends Service Committee, the Yearly Meeting, and Friends General Conference. Others are strongly concerned with the danger of another war and oppose reinstitution of military registration and the subsequent draft. Some are discussing the New Call to Peacemaking and some support War Tax Resistance. One worship group is supporting an American Indian child.

Children. One Meeting had an "enthusiastic Celebration of Life to welcome a new born child," as one Meeting writes, "Our children are our greatest resource and challenge. Another expressed great concern that when the young reach maturity they leave the Society of Friends. Mt. Toby reports, "Our Young Friends have proven themselves to be almost inexhaustible in their round of activities, conducting the program for Quarterly Meeting, holding weekly potluck dinner meetings, and forging a sense of community and shared concerns among a somewhat disparate group. An ongoing project has been to print and distribute at schools in the area book covers publicizing alternatives to the draft."

Meetings with Pastors or Executive Secretaries. For several Meetings that have pastors or executive secretary leadership there have been changes in personnel during the year which, to some extent, have meant new direction and (or) emphases. The Meetings which have both those who want a programmed Meeting and those who want an unprogrammed meeting come to some sense of accommodation, but a real sense of unity is difficult. Some programmed Meetings also have an unprogrammed meeting gathering at a different time.

The Local Meeting Assessment of Itself. The smaller Meetings are inclined to feel the loss of older, dependable and valued Friends most keenly; a number find difficulties in their isolation. The All New Hampshire Meetings, held in the past two years, have helped overcome this.

Meetings of all sizes report the value they have found in retreats. Wide participation in a study of the Queries formed the basis of Wellesley's self-assessment. They found the process beneficial.

It is encouraging to learn that in very few cases attendance at meeting for worship has declined; many Meetings, of all sizes, report increased attendance.

Membership. Special attention has been paid to matters of membership by some. Cambridge has a special Membership Committee which saves the time of the Ministry and Counsel and has developed material for the use of this committee. Allen's Neck Meeting has developed a membership request form which is used along with the visit of a committee and a personal letter from the applicant. The form emphasizes membership as a distinct responsibility to God and to the Meeting, and makes membership a commitment.

Some Problems. Some Meetings are troubled about internal dissension. Some regret they are unable to minister to needy members and attenders. Durham feels a large part of a whole generation having grown up in the Meeting and still living in the community is inadequately ministered to. Others feel they are not doing all they could in the way of ministry in the Meeting and the community.

Conclusion. In closing, we would like to share these two quotes: "The decline of the Hanover Meeting will come when we no longer open our arms in love and begin to set only attainable goals." From another Meeting, "We have faith in God's love and care for us and from this center we can move outward to serve."

13. Virginia Townsend, Clerk pro-tem of the Permanent Board, presented its report.

PERMANENT BOARD

The Permanent Board has met three times since the close of 1979 Yearly Meeting. On August 18, Gregory Harrison was named presiding clerk and

Virginia Townsend recording clerk for 1979-1980, and the concluding minute for the sessions of the 319th year of New England Yearly Meeting of Friends was approved.

At the April 26, 1980, meeting the following recommendations of the nominating committee were approved: to serve on the **Faith and Practice** Revision committee until the present revision is completed: Lisa Paulin and Thomas Bassett; to serve on the Strategy and Action Committee of the Massachusetts Council of Churches: Robert Hillegass; to serve as Overseers of Moses Brown School: for two years, Ann R. Baker; for three years, Samuel Chase, Donald Dwares, Robert A. Marsello, Scott Mohr, Charles Nichols, John Plank, Richard J. Ramsden, Rosly Walter.

The suggestion of the Ministry and Counsel Committee that the Permanent Board assume responsibility for the care and oversight of the Amesbury, Massachusetts, Meeting House property was accepted. The Board appointed to the committee to carry out this work Louis Marstaller, convenor, Douglas Cox, Richard Gove, Dorothy Averill, and Barbara Hildt, and authorized the convenor to empower the Yearly Meeting Treasurer to disburse funds in connection with the care of the Meeting House.

The request of Arthur Fink for a letter of introduction to London Yearly Meeting was granted as was that of Herbert H. Stevens, Jr. for a minute to Friends everywhere.

At the meeting on August 11, 1980, a committee was named to bring to the Permanent Board nominations for presiding clerk and recording clerk of Permanent Board to take office August 16, 1980.

Memorial minutes forwarded to the Permanent Board were read. The forwarding to the Yearly Meeting of those for Elizabeth Foster, William Foster, George A. Selleck, Caleb A. Smith, and Barbara Campbell Woodbury was approved.

The Board approved continuing the policy adopted in 1973 concerning the distribution of funds from the John Gardner Greene bequest.

Permanent Board heard with regret the resignation of Gregory Harrison from the Board and its clerkship due to his transfer of membership to the southern New England conference of the United Methodist Church.

14. As our representatives to Junior Yearly Meeting we named Louisa Alger, Daisy Newman and Tim Barclay.

15. We asked the Correspondence Committee to send our loving greetings to several regular attenders, unable to be with us this year: Elizabeth and Donnell Boardman, Millicent Foster, Lois and Elmer Brown, Anne Frantz, Henry Foster, Mary Myers, Hans-Dieter Gomes, Melita Fisher, Alice and Nathan Wiser, Ruth Mellor, Jane and Samuel Burgess, Albert and Sylvia Bigelow, Philip and Lillian Cornell, Paul and Elizabeth Butterworth, Grace Atkins Bliss.

Tuesday, August 12, 7:30 P.M.

16. A Memorial to Caleb Allen Smith was read.

MEMORIAL TO CALEB ALLEN SMITH

Caleb Allen Smith, born in Boston, Massachusetts, October 10, 1914 to Chester C. Smith and Gertrude A. Smith, active participants in Boston Monthly Meeting of Friends, died April 5, 1980. His early religious experience was in Boston and Cambridge Friends Meetings.

Following Newton High School, Caleb attended Haverford College and received his Bachelor of Science degree in Economics. His Master's degree ('42) and Doctor's degree ('43) in Economics were from Harvard.

His was a life of teaching: in the classroom, among Quakers, in his community and in his home. He taught at Harvard, Swarthmore, Wilmington (Ohio), Brown and Southeastern Massachusetts where he chaired the department of Economics for 14 years. Caleb served Friends United Meeting as principal at Kaimosi Friends Teachers College in Kenya for two years.

His religious commitment was deep. Through his service to his local Meetings and on many quarterly and yearly meeting committees he was widely known among Friends. Among his Quaker concerns were Beacon Hill Friends House, of which he was a corporator, Moses Brown School, Hingham Home, American Friends Service Committee, Friends Committee on National Legislation, Friends United Meeting, Friends General Conference and Friends World Committee for Consultation. Friends valued his energy, his wide knowledge and his extraordinary memory for detail concerning Quaker deliberations and action. From 1974 to 1978 he served New England Yearly Meeting well as Clerk. At the time of his death he was on at least nine Quaker committees and in the midst of a new activity for Friends World Committee for Consultation. Caleb was treasurer of the New England Consultation of Church Leaders.

The encouragement and support of Jeannette Smith and their four children made it possible for Caleb to serve his local community and Friends everywhere. He touched and enriched many of our lives through his life of faithful service.

One of Caleb's teaching colleagues wrote of him: "Caleb was a man I respected tremendously. The values which he held were like a light against the darkness. His simplicity of manner and strength of character were constants in a world given to change. His dedication to decency and his high purpose bespoke a man grounded in the qualities of idealism that we generally associate with youth — in that sense he never aged."

No more fitting words could be given for Caleb Allen Smith than the words of the prophet Micah: "What doth the Lord require of thee but to do justly, to love mercy and to walk humbly with thy God."

17. Clarabel Marstaller, for the Friends United Meeting Committee, introduced Walter Schutt, Clerk of Friends United Meeting, who gave us an overview of the relation of Friends United Meeting to its 14 member yearly meetings. The role of missions is changing, adapting to the desire of the indigenous groups in their areas. Confusion in today's world due to the explosion of knowledge is balanced by the opportunities this presents — opportunities for imagination and hard work in an exciting age.

FRIENDS UNITED MEETING COMMITTEE

The representatives to the triennial session of Friends United Meeting and to its Commissions and General Board make up the Friends United Meeting Committee. The Committee coordinated travel to the October Commissions and General Board meetings which were well attended. FUM will meet in triennial session, July 3-9, 1981, at Earlham College in Richmond, Indiana. Representatives will be named at this Yearly Meeting. The representative body considers business items before they go to the plenary session for action. Policy matters are dealt with and the principal staff positions are filled with the approval of those who attend the triennial. Besides the business there are conference activities — worship, workshops, major speeches, worship-sharing groups. Everyone is invited to attend.

Areas of particular concern for FUM the past two years have been: Curriculum — should the Living Light series (done with Friends General Conference) be continued?; support of East Africa Yearly Meeting as it struggles with its size and various centers of loyalty; encouragement of the Friends in Ramallah, via Israel, at this time one of the hardest places in the world to be a Christian; resources for local Meetings in meeting the needs of modern-day seekers (the importance of communication). During this time Friends in Cuba have been visited by FUM representatives, resulting in a drive to raise funds for the repair of their meeting houses. A new venture in volunteering is to be launched in October: Quaker Volunteer Witness.

18. Gordon Browne spoke to the printed report of the Friends World Committee for Consultation. Several retirements are occurring among longtime staff in the offices in Philadelphia, London and Edinburgh. Mary Esther McWhirter, Information

Director for the Section of the Americas, thanked the Yearly Meeting for its leadership and monetary support. Thomas Bodine, the Acting General Secretary, spoke to the two general goals adopted by the FWCC for the 1980's: to facilitate international Quaker initiatives for peace and justice, and to facilitate loving understanding of the diversities among Friends. He described some of the world-wide programs which the existence of the FWCC makes possible, such as Quaker representation at international conferences, right sharing of the world's resources, Quaker initiatives for peaceful solutions in areas of conflict, work on disarmament and the New Call to Peacemaking across Yearly Meeting boundaries. Tom called for a loving understanding of our diversities, including an appreciation of the role of pastors as enablers or as released Friends. He commented on the explosive growth of Evangelical Quakerism in Bolivia, Taiwan, Alaska and Burundi.

REPRESENTATIVES TO FRIENDS WORLD COMMITTEE FOR CONSULTATION

New England Friends attending the Triennial Meeting of Friends World Committee for Consultation in Gwatt, Switzerland during the same week that New England Yearly Meeting was held in 1979 were: Thelma Babbitt, Elizabeth Ballard, Thomas Bodine, Gordon and Edith Browne, David and Margaret Douglas, and Caleb and Jeannette Smith. Since their return, they have reported widely on the Triennial and seek further opportunities to share that experience with New England Friends.

During the past year, William E. Barton, General Secretary of FWCC in London and George Boobyer, Quaker Biblical scholar and theologian from London Yearly Meeting visited extensively among New England Friends under FWCC auspices. New England representatives made arrangements for these visits.

Caleb Smith's sudden death was deeply felt by this body of representatives. He had agreed to serve as our convenor and was taking an active and valuable role on the Executive Committee of the Section of the Americas, working especially hard on fund raising to meet the deficit of that body without sacrificing program. His dedication, wisdom, and energy will be sorely missed by FWCC, among many others.

19. Christel Holzer spoke to the printed report of the Right Sharing of World Resources Committee. She noted the changing emphasis on the committee's charge — from a simple goal of sharing 1% of one's goods to a real change in our values. "Can we adjust our lives to be just?" Answers to the questionnaire from this committee are earnestly sought. Slow Turtle, John Peters, added to the report the Indian concept of living to serve seven future generations and described the much needed foster home for Indian children to which the proceeds of our simple meal will go.

RIGHT SHARING OF WORLD RESOURCES COMMITTEE

In addition to working for ourselves on the problem of "Live simply so others can simply live," our committee outlined a workshop for Yearly Meeting entitled "PILGRIM'S PROGRESS or Quaker sharing in the 80's." We started to put together components of a program on sharing to be taken to Friends Meetings which would help to define problems in such a way that a group can work on them. Our Committee worked on a Questionnaire to be given to Friends at this Yearly Meeting concerning potential actions in the right sharing of the world's resources. We are also working on a "Resource Packet" on Sharing.

20. Susan Devokaitis, for the Peace and Social Concerns Committee, presented a minute, which we approved, honoring Russell and Irene Johnson as they leave for work in Russia.

Friends want to take this occasion to observe with appreciation the more than 30 years of service which Russell and Irene Johnson have given to the American Friends Service Committee and to the causes of peace and social justice. Russell has served on AFSC staff as New England Regional Peace Education Secretary, Quaker International Representative, and Senior Program Associate. Whether it has involved speaking to Rotary Clubs, Friends Meetings and churches, or students in schools and colleges, or traveling and working in Asia and other parts of the world, or writing articles and pamphlets, or organizing AVON Institutes and conferences, or supporting other AFSC staff and numerous volunteers, Russell has always made clear his commitment to nonviolence and to the spirit of Friends. He has spoken and written in clear communication without rhetoric, and thereby has been able to reach many people who otherwise would not hear the message from the people of the world who suffer from war, hunger, and injustice. His broad experience, his ability to absorb and interpret that experience, and his sense of humanity have kept him from ever becoming either a bureaucrat or a routine do-gooder.

Irene Johnson has traveled and worked with Russell over the years, and had the primary responsibility for raising their three children as well. Her artistry and sensitivity in photography have enriched the reporting of both herself and Russell through the slides and pictures they always have available to illustrate what they have learned from the people they have met and lived with.

We are glad to note that Russell and Irene will continue to serve AFSC as staff member and volunteer for more years, and we look forward to hearing the hearty call, "Friends are encouraged!" whether it be to a volley ball game or to a serious discussion of the world's problems.

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21. The epistle from Lake Erie Yearly Meeting was read. It was a prayer for strength, in light of today's material might, not to be paralyzed by fear but to live today in the Kingdom of God where perfect love casts out fear.

22. Theodore Paullin spoke to the printed report of the Archives and Historical Records Committee. He urged us to visit the exceptional exhibit of rare, historic items especially prepared by the committee for this Yearly Meeting session. The major purpose of this committee is to preserve records for future reference. Meetings were urged to send permanent minutes and memorials to the Archives. The committee also seeks Friend related personal and family papers, pictures and mementos, usually of great value to the Archives. We approved the use of the "Guidelines for Monthly Meeting Record Keeping" and will print and distribute them as conveniently as the budget allows.

ARCHIVES AND HISTORICAL RECORDS COMMITTEE

Twelve scholars have used our records. We have answered 34 genealogical requests. Many people use our microfilms with the help of the Rhode Island Historical Society Library staff.

We receive regularly 24 Monthly Meeting Newsletters. Nineteen Yearly Meetings send us their printed minutes. We have received 43 gift items, six of them being manuscripts. The Ware family of Lynn, Massachusetts, donated a large box of family photographs and other memorabilia.

Bennington Monthly Meeting is sending in its Minutes every six months, which we then put into a binder. We have also received Minutes from Lynn, Winthrop, and Maple Grove Meetings.

A Nantucket Monthly Meeting Ministry and Counsel Record Book for the years 1711-1911 has turned up in the hands of a bookseller in Wheaton, Illinois. We are negotiating for its return to our custody.

We are repairing the bindings of the latest consignment from Moses Brown School of books from the libraries of Moses and Obadiah Brown. To date 51 books have been repaired.

A set of Guidelines for Monthly Meeting Record Keeping by Clerks and Recorders has been prepared, after circulation of the preliminary draft to Monthly Meetings for suggestions.

An exhibit of our archival material was prepared for this Yearly Meeting, emphasizing the spread of Quakerism in New England.

May we remind Friends to see that all memorials are preserved in Monthly Meeting minutes, and sent to the Yearly Meeting office, and to the Archives in Providence.

The Curator and Assistant Curator attended a Conference of Quaker Historians held at Haverford College, June 17-19, 1980.

The Yearly Meeting owes a deep debt of gratitude to Thyra Jane Foster for her long and devoted service as Curator, and to Ruth Burgess, who has volunteered her time as Assistant Curator for the last several years.

New England Yearly Meeting of Friends MONTHLY MEETING RECORD KEEPING

This outline is intended as a guide to Clerks, Recorders, and Historians for methods of keeping monthly meeting records and sharing the responsibilities of record keeping. Monthly meetings vary in size and circumstances, and may need to adapt the suggestions to their own particular conditions.

The suggestion that originals of minutes and other permanent records be sent to the Yearly Meeting Archives arises from the fact that there is greater safety from fire and other hazards at the Library of the Rhode Island Historical Society than is likely at most monthly meetings.

The address is: Archives of New England Yearly Meeting, Rhode Island Historical Society, 121 Hope Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02906.

I. Record-keeping responsibilities of the Presiding Clerk

- A. Responsibility for minute books and records which may still be in the possession of the local meeting, and for microfilm or other copies of such records if the originals are already in the Yearly Meeting Archives.
- B. Responsibility for forwarding to the Recording Clerk or other designated person any current materials which should be in the permanent files.
- C. Responsibility for preserving Monthly Meeting Committee Reports. Where feasible final committee reports should be written on Permalife paper.
- D. Responsibility to see that copies of all newsletters are sent to the Yearly Meeting Archives as they are issued.
- E. Responsibility to arrange for the preparation of memorials, and their delivery to the Recording Clerk, The Yearly Meeting Office, and the Archives.
- F. Responsibility for signing the permanent copy of the minutes of each monthly meeting, along with the Recording Clerk.

II. Responsibilities of the Recording Clerk

- A. Taking and recording the minutes of the Monthly Meeting for Business. There are two traditional ways of preparing minutes:
 1. The Recording Clerk waits until the Presiding Clerk determines the sense of the Meeting, then writes the minute and reads it to the Meeting. If it is approved, the minute is entered in the permanent record exactly in those words. Minutes are not reviewed at the next meeting unless specially requested.
 2. The Recording Clerk takes general notes as the discussion proceeds, including a record of the various opinions expressed as well as the ultimate decision. The minutes are written up promptly and read to the Meeting at the next business session for acceptance or amendment.

B. Care of the Permanent Records:

1. Permalife paper is best for permanent records. This paper is acid-free, and therefore will not deteriorate. This paper (8½ x 11 inches) is available from the Yearly Meeting Office. Stationery stores carry spring binders.
2. Headings for important subjects facilitate location later. There should be a margin of 1½ inches on the left hand side of each page, and on the right side of the reverse if both sides of a sheet are used, to make binding possible.
3. It is desirable to make at least two additional copies of minutes. Both Xerox and mimeograph copies keep well in archival conditions. One copy should be locked away safely in case the other is destroyed or lost; the other should be kept in a binder for ready reference. The original copy should be sent to the Yearly Meeting Archives at convenient intervals, or when a bound volume is completed.

The minutes received by the Archives from each Monthly Meeting will be placed in the Archives. Unless they are already bound, the Archives will place them in permanent binders.

4. For permanent records, typing is best, and ordinary ribbon is satisfactory. Ballpoint pens are not recommended. Ordinary permanent ink is better, and India Ink is best.
5. Pictures, clippings, and similar extraneous materials should not be attached to the minutes. However, such materials are valuable records for the Archives. They should be kept in acid-free file folders or boxes, and may be forwarded to the Archives from time to time. It is desirable to photocopy newspaper clippings and other shortlived materials before they deteriorate.
6. Scotch tape and other pressure-sensitive paper must not be used, because they are very acidic, and are otherwise not acceptable.

Note Well: The worst enemy for the long-term preservation of paper is our acidic atmosphere. This is why acid-free paper and ink, and the proper storing conditions such as those found at the Rhode Island Historical Association Library are so important.

III. Responsibilities of the Recorder**A. Keep the membership files.**

The Yearly Meeting Office can supply membership sheets:

1. "Meeting Membership Record." One sheet should be kept for each member of the Monthly Meeting.
2. "Information for the Recorder." Blue sheets for gathering information about the member, which the Recorder can transfer to the permanent record.

Membership sheets are kept in a binder in two sections:

1. Active members.
2. Former members.

It is important to keep the file accurate and up-to-date. Sheets of former members may be forwarded to the Archives at any time, but the Recorder will want to keep a copy.

- B. Prepare and forward the Annual Statistical Report to the Yearly Meeting Office on forms provided by it, and file a copy with monthly meeting records.
- C. Record Marriage Certificates for weddings under the care of the Meeting. It has been the custom to copy marriage certificates by hand or typewriter, and keep the copies in a section of the membership records. These are historically valuable to reveal variations in marriage practices, and for genealogical information revealed in the signatures.
- D. Voluntary activities, which might be the responsibility of the Historian, if the Meeting has one:
 1. Collect and preserve such historical items as pictures, clippings,

sketches, notes, etc., which may be worthy of preservation, forwarding them to the Archives when desired.

2. It would be extremely valuable to have a short written history of the Meeting, both for local information and for Archival records.
3. Tapes which record recollections of older members, important events in the life of the Meeting, and the like, are also of value and interest.
4. Encouraging members to keep diaries and journals and make them available for our archival collection would be an immensely worthwhile endeavor.
5. At Monthly Meeting, make it a habit to remind members of the importance of turning in items of historical interest.

23. We welcomed Robert Hindmarsh of the American Friends Service Committee in Philadelphia, Nick Block, Administrative Secretary of Friends Committee on National Legislation, and Leonard Hall, Director of Development of Earlham School of Religion.

24. We were treated to a dramatic enactment of everyday life in the home of our intrepid Field and Administrative Secretaries, Louis and Clarabel Marstaller. We continue to stand in awe and appreciation of the diverse and never-ending labors carried out in our interests by these devoted Friends.

FIELD SECRETARY

During the year several visits were made with groups such as the Lewiston, Maine worship group as it was preparing to become a monthly meeting. It is very encouraging to be a part of this growing process in our Yearly Meeting.

As I visit Meetings, often individuals come to me with concerns for and about Meetings and themselves. It seems to me that we have much to do to improve the ministry of our Meetings. Do our Meetings have clear, definable purposes and goals? Do we use the gifts and talents of our members, or have we rotated them to some other place?

We have many new Meetings and new members. I feel we have to review continually our Yearly Meeting committees so that all of us, and especially committee members, understand the role of the committees. We need to answer clearly questions such as: who makes policy? Is it the Yearly Meeting or the committees? Do committees serve the Yearly Meeting? the local Meetings? the general public? All of these? Do committees speak for the Yearly Meeting?

It has been good to serve Friends another year and I thank all who have helped me and who serve Meetings and committees as we strive together and individually to do God's will.

Louis Marstaller

ADMINISTRATIVE SECRETARY

There is no shortage of paper work in the Yearly Meeting Office. We reproduce minutes of Yearly Meeting and many of its committees, produce the *New England Friend* (occasionally the *Crier* goes with it), flyers for special events, and pages of helpful material for Meetings coming from several Yearly Meeting committees.

Three regular committee days were held with some committees meeting at other times.

With Yearly Meeting at a new place this year, we have come to know the facilities of the University of Southern Maine in Gorham and have enjoyed working with its Conference Coordinator, Keith Whitten.

To my surprise, electric typewriters wear out. In July the Yearly Meeting purchased, through Moses Brown School, a new IBM Selectric II typewriter. It is a pleasure to use.

Various people have helped with bulk mailings; the most tedious one was the June New England Friend with Yearly Meeting information, stuffed at China Camp while the Camp Committee was meeting. Thanks to all.

Clarabel Marstaller

25. The Field Secretary presented the Statistical report. He noted a slight drop in membership and a drop of about 50 in average attendance at meetings for worship. (See Statistical Report on Pages 54-55.) A list of deceased Friends (1979) is attached to the official copies of the minutes kept in the Yearly Meeting Archives.

New Monthly Meetings recognized since 1979 Yearly Meeting are: Framingham (fall 1979), Salem Quarterly Meeting; since January 1980, Lewiston in Falmouth Quarterly Meeting, Keene in Northwest Quarterly Meeting, and North Easton in Rhode Island-Smithfield Quarterly Meeting.

26. Michael Carter, Youth Secretary, spoke to his printed report. The Young Friends participating this year number about 65. Of the 36 First Day Schools in our Yearly Meeting, only eight have active Young Friends groups. It is of prime importance that we expend far more effort on nurturing our adolescents, that we realize their potential as people and spiritual beings, that we serve as role models for them and provide energetic and ongoing leadership. Our future as a Society and their future as Friends is not served by the lack of active programs after the 8th grade.

YOUTH SECRETARY

The work done this past year as Youth Secretary for the China Camp Committee, Christian Education Committee, and Young Friends has included:

China Camp The recruitment, interviewing, and hiring of staff; preparing the 1980 schedule and brochure, staff training, creating a slideshow for camper recruitment, as well as handling correspondence, telephone calls, and mail relating to Camp business.

Christian Education Travel library update as well as loaning to Meetings and Quarterly Meetings; one Regional Workshop and visitation of about 12 Meetings as consultant; also correspondence and telephone relating to educational needs.

Young Friends Nine weekend retreats centering on such themes as "The Draft," "Trust," "Enlarging Relationships," "Social Concerns," "Intergenerational Dialogue," etc. Midwinter Conference was very successful dealing with a variety of topics under the "Human Element." I coordinated and made arrangements for five Young Friends to attend the Washington, DC and United Nations Seminars. Acting on the advice of my Advisory Committee, I did not attend these two events this year.

From my office, four issues of the Crier were edited, published and mailed, as well as numerous fliers for retreats throughout the year.

Other Activities have included Friends United Meeting Commission, Friends General Conference Religious Education Conference and Religious Education Committee, American Friends Service Committee and Beacon Hill Friends House program involvement and the 1980 Friends General Conference Young Friends' program in Ithaca, NY.

I have found my work this year to be both elucidating and encouraging. Since I have been coordinating my work for the three "youth" committees, I have found that I am able to relate to a wider age range as a result of the multifaceted "youth" responsibilities I hold.

Although the year has been productive, I am growing increasingly concerned about the lack of sufficient adult leadership for our various youth programs. I shall deal with this concern in more depth in the coming year.

I contend that the youth are our future, thus as Youth Secretary, I remain committed to the spiritual nurture of these young people with fortitude and concern.

Michael Carter

27. Lisa Paulin, Clerk, reporting for Young Friends, said that many newcomers this past year have brought enthusiasm, new ideas and increased numbers to this ever-changing group.

28. Margaret Cates presented the recommendation of the Executive Council to continue Louis Marstaller as Field Secretary, Clarabel Marstaller as Administrative Secretary, and Michael Carter as Youth Secretary. This was approved.

29. Jean Kennison presented the report of the Nominating Committee, including five representatives to the New Call to Peacemaking Conference, October 2-5, 1980. This was approved.

30. Perry Norton, our liaison with Jana Noyes to Friends for Lesbian and Gay Concerns, presented a report of meetings and activities of the group. We accepted the report, but, because we were not united about continuing to send representatives to FLGC, we agreed to continue the discussion.

REPRESENTATIVES TO FRIENDS FOR LESBIAN AND GAY CONCERNS

Last year at Yearly Meeting two representatives were appointed to Friends for Lesbian and Gay Concerns; Jana Noyes and Perry Norton. There have been five gatherings at which FLGC has carried on its work in various places across the country: two for women, one for men, two mixed, and one at Friends General Conference. In addition, meetings for business are held on a quarterly basis. A number of local worship-sharing groups meet at Friends' Meetings and in private homes on an ongoing basis. Friends for Lesbian and Gay Concerns publishes a newsletter and helps to organize a hospitality network for travelling Friends.

During this week gatherings for discussion of issues and concerns have been scheduled, including "Living with Homosexuality in our Meetings, our Families and Ourselves" and "FLGC, the Organization." We hope Friends will avail themselves of the opportunity to understand FLGC better and the Friends involved by attending future gatherings.

We feel sure that in the years to come, the very special Quaker ability to be open to each person's needs and seekings will guide New England Yearly Meeting to an even greater perception of the importance of this organization's work. FLGC has two basic goals: "First, to encourage fellowship, friendship, support and self-affirmation among gay men and lesbians; second, to promote a dialogue within the Society of Friends at all levels with a view toward achieving a deeper mutual understanding and affirmation."

Wednesday, August 13, 7:30 P.M.

31. A Memorial to George Arthur Selleck was read.

MEMORIAL TO GEORGE A. SELLECK

George Arthur Selleck, birthright Friend, recorded minister, beloved friend and counselor to countless persons both within the Society of Friends and without, died at Emerson Hospital, Concord, Massachusetts, on July 11, 1980, at the age of 81. George was loved by very many people; and this was natural, for he offered to all who came near him a loving sympathy and concern. We celebrate his life among us.

Born in Kansas, George Selleck was educated at Friends University in Wichita, Hartford Theological Seminary, and Harvard. While teaching at Oak Grove Seminary, he met Florence Gifford, also a teacher. They were married in 1925, and soon afterwards George became Meeting Secretary in Lincoln, Virginia. In 1936 he began his service as Executive Secretary of Friends Meeting at Cambridge, a position he filled with skill and distinction for 28 years, interrupted only by AFSC relief work in Finland, which he and Florence

Selleck directed from 1948 to 1950. In Finland their quiet optimism and openness drew many who had suffered through the war into a new faith in the possibility of reconstruction.

Living in the Friends Center in Cambridge involved George and Florence in the crises and joys of Friends and friends of Friends in ways we have long remembered. As Executive Secretary George's labors were multitudinous; they were genuine; they were beautifully and meticulously carried out; they were motivated by a sense of God's love, and performed in a spirit of humility. George responded to individuals with sensitivity, and worked quietly with innumerable new Friends to give them confidence and skill in serving the Meeting. After the true manner of Friends, his leadership took the form of enabling others to discover their own leadings and gifts for participating in the life and witness of the Society.

We remember George's belief in community, his simple conviction that Quakers can and should "join in the Light of that which is eternal." For George the emergence of a new meeting appeared not as a loss to the old meeting but as a further opportunity for community among Friends. We remember also his presence in business meetings — his skill at finding a way through difficult disagreements, and his sure sense of when a group needed to turn to silence. He practiced a certain flexibility with regard to procedure; this was made possible by the depth of his trust in the Quaker process.

George read widely among Quaker writings, and often in Meeting for Worship quoted helpful and thought-provoking passages. These readings expanded his ability to discuss differing opinions ranging from skepticism and doubt to joyful affirmation. Graduate students trying to find their religious way were impressed not only by his open mind, but also by his strong faith and the serenity and optimism consequent upon it. As one young man said with deep seriousness, in a puzzled-but-learning voice, "George has got hold of something."

George felt a deep concern for unity among Friends. When he came to Cambridge, there were two Yearly Meetings in New England, dating back to an old and painful split within the Society. George was too modest to recognize fully his enormous role in the re-unifying process; however, we have come to realize that our present unity, and the Book of Discipline which reflects it, exist in large measure because of his persistence, sense of humor, and skill. We remind ourselves also that this came about when he was a relatively young man serving willingly and with good humor among older weighty Friends, who responded to his gentle light where blinding flashes might have hardened differences. Someone who knew him years later recalls: "One day when George was telling me what he remembered of the historic gathering in which the two branches of Friends mended the split between them, I looked over to see tears on his cheeks. Such was his joy at the precious unity among Friends."

George Selleck served the Yearly Meeting in many ways throughout his life in addition to his monthly and quarterly meeting responsibilities. He served as secretary of the N.E. Institute of International Relations held at Wellesley College each summer from 1936 to 1943. In 1965 he became director of the Interfaith Seminar Program of the New England office of the AFSC. Because of his deeply ingrained habit of looking for that of God in everyone, George's presence seemed to help people think harmoniously together about heated social and political issues.

In 1967 George and Florence left Cambridge for Nantucket, where they took a quiet and sustained part in the religious life of the island, tended their garden, kept in touch with friends and Friends around the world, and helped a small group of Friends and seekers find its identity as an informal year-round meeting. As a new generation of protest and ferment arose, a number of young women and men who came to the island found themselves listened to with respect, worshiped with, and wisely ministered to, by this rather dignified and formal-looking but remarkably open-minded and caring Quaker couple.

After Florence died suddenly in August 1973, George chose to stay on alone in Nantucket, partly because of his commitment to nourishing the small, diverse Quaker group there. He devoted himself to completing a major historical project, the writing of *Quakers in Boston, 1656 - 1964*. Published in 1976, this book will become a classic of Quaker history: it shows not only the facts of Friends' progress, but spreads before the reader all the issues that Meetings face — problems of organization, of developing a sense of community, of

establishing harmony among members, of furthering the coalescence of small, tentative groups into established Meetings. One senses from *Quakers in Boston* not only the history of Friends but also their spirit; it is about the living principles of Quakerism, presented as an offering to the next generation of Friends.

In March 1978, George Selleck and Daisy Newman, a fellow Quaker writer and long-time friend, were married in the Framingham Meeting House under the care of Friends Meeting at Cambridge. During the following joyous year, George continued to participate in Friends' activities from nearby Lincoln. He and Daisy were often called upon for counsel and guidance. Even after a series of strokes began to curtail his strength — and eventually his ability to speak — George's awareness, interest and sweetness of spirit drew people to him.

Friends in New England have benefited from the leadership and friendship of George Selleck in countless ways. Those whose lives were touched for the better were his peers, his friends, his neighbors, and the stranger at the gate. They were little children who saw his twinkle and sensed in him a grown-up Friend. They were youth and above all they were students. Thousands of seekers after Truth have been urged on in their search. They have been influenced by his attitude of searching and finding. They have received from him glimpses, insights, suggestions, questions, the next steps toward developing their mature selves. Yet he never appeared to put himself forward, and did what he did out of simple faithfulness to the Light. All who knew George give thanks that the power of his life and the quiet authority of his faith are still with us.

32. Thomas R. Bodine, formerly Clerk of New England Yearly Meeting and of Friends United Meeting and presently Acting General Secretary of the Friends World Committee for Consultation in London, presented a message: "Traveling under Religious Concern." From 1980 B.C. to 1980 A.D. people have responded to the voice of God in their hearts and have left the safe haven of family and friends to share their religious concerns. The early Quakers traveled the world at great personal cost and sacrifice to proclaim their message that "Christ is come to teach His people Himself." In New England a great people were indeed gathered and by 1700 it looked as if Quakerism would be the religion of America. In the 18th and 19th centuries, Quakers traveled in ministry primarily to perfect a peculiar people in reaction to the extremism of some early Friends. In the 20th century Friends have gone out all over the world in mission and service programs, establishing Quakerism in far-away lands and working for peace and social justice. But what we may need most today is a new and imaginative form of traveling ministry among Friends which would help us to discover the common spiritual ground underlying our diversity, the right kind of religious sight-seeing that will lead to "mutual irradiation." We need that extra-ordinary thing which drove Abraham and the first Christians, and the early Friends to travel under religious concern, "a fresh incursion of the Holy Spirit" that would change our lives and give us a new vision of the Society of Friends, not as a minor religious sect but as a major religious movement.

Thursday, August 14, 10:45 A.M.

33. The concluding minute from Southern Africa Yearly Meeting was read. It reaffirmed the traditional testimonies of justice and peace, and voiced a strong conviction that there is sufficient goodwill and common ground to overcome inequalities and violence.

34. We welcomed Adelbert Mason, Executive Director for the Friends Council on Education and his wife, Barbara, and Mary Schaffner, headmistress of Lincoln School.

35. Gordon Browne, for the **Faith and Practice** Revision Committee, presented the revised Queries for our consideration. He expressed appreciation for the considerable amount of help that Meeting members have given the committee and asked us to continue to uphold the committee with our prayers and advice. With the understanding that these queries will be used throughout the Yearly Meeting in the coming year and that the opportunity for changing them still remains, first approval was given to the General Queries and to the Queries for Meetings on Ministry and Counsel. The committee hopes that 1981 for presenting Section I, and 1982 for Section II is still a realistic timetable. Sincere appreciation was expressed to the committee for the work involved in this monumental task.

FAITH AND PRACTICE REVISION COMMITTEE

Beginning in September and following the guidelines approved at the 1979 Yearly Meeting, the **Faith and Practice** Revision Committee met monthly, except for December, through the fall, winter, and spring. It identified subject matter which needed to be added to Part I of **Faith and Practice** or to be given greater emphasis, and it considered possible ways of restructuring the book to make its contents more accessible. Committee members gathered new and more current material for inclusion in Part I, recognizing that new material will displace some existing material, for the consensus among Monthly Meetings advising us was that the book should be no longer than it now is. After considering and revising several proposed drafts of the General Queries and the Queries for Ministry and Counsel, the Committee completed a draft which we are presenting to the 1980 Yearly Meeting for initial approval.

Many helpful suggestions for the revision have come from committees, monthly meetings, and individual Friends. We hope such communications will continue.

36. Katherine Perry spoke to her printed report as Friends' Coordinator for Moses Brown School. She introduced all overseers who were present, Bernard Buonanno, new chairman of the Overseers, William Mullin, head of the Upper School and David Burnham, headmaster. David expressed his feeling of responsibility to run a school that he and we can be proud of and feel good about. He would like to sense that the Yearly Meeting feels more responsible for the school in spite of other priorities.

FRIENDS CO-ORDINATOR FOR MOSES BROWN SCHOOL

The opening of school in September 1979 was preceded by a faculty retreat where old faculty had the opportunity to get acquainted with new members and the group had a chance to share and understand the school's objectives. Unfortunately a severe wind and rain storm arrived the day the gathering was planned. Bert Mason was scheduled for the keynote speaker but all flights out of Philadelphia were grounded. Fortunately Dorothy Gifford was able to substitute and speak about Quaker education.

The school received a gift from Richard Orenstein, a parent of one of our students, to establish a computer laboratory. The math department is delighted to be able to offer our students training in these new skills. Mr. Orenstein's generosity has brought Moses Brown into a leadership role in this field among New England schools.

Our Annual Giving program raised more money than any previous year. The program reached over \$140,000. We feel this generous giving from parents, alumni, and friends of the school reflects a very positive feeling about Moses Brown in the community.

We continue to give attention to the maintenance and improvement of our physical facilities. Last summer the Lower School building was provided with

permanent walls dividing the classrooms. The Lower School faculty has found this a great improvement in providing a quieter more peaceful atmosphere for teaching. Our heating system in the main building was converted from burning oil to burning natural gas. This will be a great saving in one of our most costly areas.

During the coming academic year Moses Brown will be evaluated by the New England Association of Independent Schools. In preparation for this evaluation the school has been questioning itself about our goals and purposes, how well are we fulfilling them, and what are the strengths and weaknesses in the school.

A report from Moses Brown School at this time would not be complete without mentioning the contribution Caleb Smith made to the Board over the past decade. His advice on how to co-operate with the Yearly Meeting was frequently sought and his knowledge and experience in many educational matters were extremely valuable. His death is a great loss to the school as well as the entire Yearly Meeting.

The Board also wishes to express its appreciation and thanks to Robert Marsello, the outgoing chairman, for his dedicated leadership during the past four years and to our Headmaster David Burnham who has worked very hard carrying out the goals of the school.

Katherine Perry

MOSES BROWN SCHOOL
Statement of Current Revenues,
Expenditures, Appropriation and Fund Balances
Year Ended June 30, 1979

Revenues

Educational and general:

Student fees	\$1,903,668
Endowment income	26,736
Gifts	97,051
Other	75,531
	<u>2,102,986</u>

Student aid - endowment income

21,254

Auxiliary enterprises:

Residences and food service	\$ 163,269
Books and supplies	73,659
Total auxiliary enterprises	<u>236,928</u>
Total current revenues	<u>2,361,168</u>

Expenditures

Educational and general:

General administration and general expense	445,363
Summer School programs	38,029
Instruction	919,618
Operation and maintenance of physical plant	339,181
Total educational and general	<u>1,742,191</u>

Student aid

210,670

Auxiliary enterprises:

Residence and food service	\$176,482
Books and supplies	62,757
Total current expenditures	<u>239,239</u>

2,192,100

Excess of Revenue over Expenditures

169,068

Appropriation to unexpended plant funds

143,096

**Excess of Revenues over Expenditures
and Appropriation**

25,972

Fund balance, July 1, 1978

67,594

Fund Balance, June 30, 1979

\$ 93,566

Balance Sheet June 30, 1979

ASSETS

Current Funds:

General:

Cash - checking accounts	\$ 14,676	
Cash - savings accounts	54,373	
Investments	<u>255,722</u>	\$ 324,771

Accounts receivable:

Students	18,148	
Other	<u>7,721</u>	25,869

Pledges receivable - annual giving

(1979-80 drive)		23,384
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Inventories, at cost

25,846

Prepaid expenses and deferred charges

22,144

Total general

422,014

Restricted:

Bank certificate of deposit -

10.75% due 8/7/79		315,334
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Investment

69,346

Total restricted

384,680

Total current funds

806,694

Endowment Fund:

Cash - Dwight D. Owen Memorial Fund

5,508

Plant Funds:

Investment in plant:

Land and buildings (less allowance for depreciation on building of \$249,691)	2,324,494	
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Furniture and equipment (less allowance for depreciation of \$205,311)

309,615

Total investment in plant and

total plant fund 2,634,109\$3,452,685

LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES

Current Funds:

General:

Accounts payable and accrued expenses	\$ 60,780
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Funds held in safekeeping for School organizations

7,399

Deferred income - registration fees, annual -

giving and Summer Program tuitions received in advance	260,269
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Fund balance

93,566

Total general

422,014

Restricted:

Fund balance

384,680

Total current funds

806,694

Endowment Fund:

Fund balance

5,508

Plant Funds:

Investment in plant:

Bank loans - R.I. Hospital Trust National

Bank

Mortgage	\$ 62,810
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Equipment purchase	<u>436</u>
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63,246

Net invested in plant

2,570,863

Total investment in plant and total plant fund

2,634,109\$3,452,685

Bank loans - R.I. Hospital Trust National Bank

The Board of Overseers
Moses Brown School

We have examined the balance sheet of Moses Brown School at June 30, 1979 and the related statement of current revenues, expenditures, appropriation and fund balance and the statement of changes in fund balances for the year then ended. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion the accompanying financial statements present fairly the financial position of Moses Brown School at June 30, 1979 and the results of its operations and changes in its fund balances for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

Ward, Fisher & Company

October 19, 1979

Certified Public Accountants

37. George Keller spoke to the printed China Camp report. Long range planning is proceeding, with many deliberations and diversities of opinion.

CHINA CAMP COMMITTEE

The 1980 camp season thus far appears to be successful for several reasons: (1) a competent staff, all carefully selected from Friends' circles; (2) increased management at the local level; and (3) higher enrollment than last year.

The 1979 camp director's report pointed out the need for continuity of leadership. Another year's experience reinforces this need, not only for supervision of the regular sessions but for family session as well. The issue of continuity will be considered with the expectation of a solution probably at a later Camp Committee meeting in the Fall.

Members of the Committee who have visited the Camp this summer are impressed with the manner in which Mark and Emily Donovan Patton have dealt with administrative and program matters.

The Committee may want to develop long range plans for the Camp besides that of continuous leadership. Becoming affiliated with the American Camping Association and working toward ACA accreditation would enhance the quality of the Camp without necessarily affecting the flexibility of the program. The formulation of a land management plan which would better utilize the camp property might result in an enriched program as well as a greater variety of facilities (for example, tent sites and lean-tos) for family camping.

China Camp has served Friends over 25 years and occupies a unique position in the Yearly Meeting as a multifaceted opportunity which can be further developed to realize its potential. To this purpose the Committee is earnestly committed.

Friends China Camp Financial Statement

For Year Ending May 31, 1980

June 1, 1979 Cash on Hand		\$ 1,428.62
Income:		
Regular Camp Sessions	\$ 7,705.00	
Other Conference Use	310.00	
Contributions	1,777.00	
Obadiah Brown Fund	500.00	
Yearly Meeting Allotment	1,000.00	
Other Income	147.22	
Total Income		11,439.22
Total Available for Use		\$12,867.84

Expenses:		
Salaries	4,756.50	
Food	2,406.79	
Insurance	895.75	
Utilities	875.00	
Maintenance	761.95	
Travel Expense	762.09	
Program Supplies	103.38	
Promotion and Postage	75.10	
Other Expense	120.98	
Total Expenditures		10,757.54
May 31, 1980 Balance		\$ 2,110.30
Savings Account — Waterville Savings Bank		\$ 214.93
Checking Account — Bank of Maine		1,895.37
Cash on Hand, May 31, 1980		\$ 2,110.30

Benjamin Cates, Treasurer

I have examined these accounts and find them correct.

July 25, 1980

Ralph W. Austin, Auditor

38. Andrew Towl presented a minute in honor of Pendle Hill's 50th birthday. He and his wife Merrillie were Friends in Residence there last winter. Paul Mangelsdorf will be our representative to the birthday celebration on September 27.

MINUTE IN HONOR OF PENDLE HILL'S 50th BIRTHDAY

New England Yearly Meeting commends Pendle Hill on its 50th birthday as

- an enduring example of community;
- a nourisher of Quaker thought, both new and time-tested;
- a training ground for Friends serving their own Meetings, or staffing projects abroad;
- a center both for quiet withdrawal and for active involvement.

We celebrate Pendle Hill's influence over the past half-century and join the thousands within and without the Society of Friends who anticipate Pendle Hill's future with confidence and gratitude.

Thursday, August 14, 7:30 P.M.

39. Memorials to Elizabeth Foster and William Foster were read. We noted the death of Louisa White of Providence on April 11, 1980. Respecting her wishes that no memorial minute be written, we paused to remember her with love and appreciation.

MEMORIAL TO ELIZABETH FOSTER

Elizabeth Foster, a lifelong member of the Society of Friends, was born on the family farm in Warwick, R.I. on 12-9-1888. She lived there except for the last year and a half of her life when she moved across the street to a nursing home. She died on 5-13-1980.

Her life was one of service and commitment to her family, friends, and Meeting. She cared for her parents and helped the families of her brothers Edward and William as well as those of others. She kept a careful diary of family happenings from 1905 to 1974.

Elizabeth was a member of the Nantucket Monthly Meeting of Friends until 1936 when she joined Providence Friends Meeting.

Her contribution was caring for others. She was a Friend of few words with a quiet strength of purpose and sense of peace which she shared with all. Her gentle smile, her sincere greeting, and her unobtrusive humor always added a special benediction to those meeting with her. The peace and beauty of her life touched us all.

MEMORIAL TO WILLIAM O. FOSTER

William Oliver Foster, a much loved member of Providence Monthly Meeting of Friends, died April 19, 1980 at the age of 82. He was born in Warwick, R.I., and lived in Rhode Island his entire life. He attended Olney Friends School, Barnesville, Ohio, and Springfield College. For many years he and his brother Henry operated the large family farm located in Warwick. Some of his later years were spent as a machinist. He served as president of the Pawtuxet Valley Board of Trade, was active in the South County Museum, and the Senior Citizens of North Kingston. He was a member of the Board of Beacon Hill Friends House, Boston, Mass., and served on many committees of Providence Monthly Meeting and New England Yearly Meeting. He was especially helpful and faithful on the Social Committee and those committees having to do with the care of the Meeting House and its grounds.

William had a keen sense of humor and knew when to use it, especially when tensions were great.

He is survived by his wife Millicent Steere Foster and three children, Mary Cadbury, Albert Foster and Debora Warren, seven grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

39. Eloise Houghton spoke to the printed report of New England Friends Home. The gentle and caring spirit of Edna and Katherine Haviland is still an influence at the Home. She introduced the current director, Harry Barron, who emphasized the need for the support of our membership in visits to the Home, in searching for suitable employees, particularly among Friends, and in additional financial help. More Friends as residents would be most welcome.

NEW ENGLAND FRIENDS HOME COMMITTEE

Three vacancies in the past year have been filled by George Howard, Flora Turple and Jean Coulter, a former teacher in Friends' schools and a member of Sandy Spring, Maryland, Monthly Meeting. A fourth vacancy has recently been created by the departure, due to illness, of Grace Bliss. Grace is on the Home Committee, and has been a committed and active Friend for many years. She has been a mainstay of the community here, and is sorely missed by everyone. Our prayers go with her.

We have suffered a grievous loss with the passing of Caleb Smith, a faithful friend and supporter. His experience, judgment and dedication have been invaluable. Our prayers are with Jeannette.

Staff at the Home have been consistently of the highest quality, notwithstanding the difficulties we experience in recruiting people who can live in. We are extremely fortunate that Harry and Edith Barron continue with us. Betty Ford, our new Assistant Director and a Registered Nurse, is a highly competent individual with a fine spirit. The same is true of Jean Langton, our housekeeper for 10 years, and Bob Fontaine, our cook. We have also had some excellent part time and short term interns (including Deborah DeRosa of Lawrence Meeting and Rebecca Eavenson, daughter of John Eavenson, the Committee's financial advisor and hardworking treasurer). In the fall we will need two full time interns who can make a year's commitment.

Our local support group, the Friends of Turkey Hill, continues to be very active. An open house was held at the Home in the fall, with refreshments and exhibits of craft items made by residents, and a yard and bake sale in the spring raised \$1200.

We hope Friends will visit the Home often and experience first-hand the home-like atmosphere and the beauty of the place. Meeting for Worship is held at 10:30 Sundays and tea is at 3:15 daily.

NEW ENGLAND FRIENDS HOME

TREASURER'S REPORT 1979

INCOME STATEMENT

Operating revenues of \$68,798 were on budget target and slightly ahead of 1978 by 1½%. This source of revenue represents 75% of operating expenses.

Expenses increased by \$4,550. to \$91,435. — a 5% increase over 1978 within \$85. of budget. A remarkable accomplishment in face of double digit inflation. Predictably, major source of increase was Staff up \$3,313. or 72% of the total expense increase.

Operating deficit increased to \$22,637 in 1979 vs. \$19,624. in 1978.

With Non-Operating Income only slightly ahead to 1978 (\$19,809. vs. \$19,624.) we ended the year with a net deficit of \$2,822.

Resident rates were increased twice in 1978 (3½% - 1/1/79 — 3½% - 7/1/79) and 10% on 1/1/80. These actions were only taken after careful consideration of all other alternatives.

BALANCE SHEET

Total assets decreased by \$6,134. Besides net deficit from operations, other major source of decrease was in Depreciation accounts (\$38,251 vs. \$31,620.).

John L. Eavenson, Treasurer

BALANCE SHEET DECEMBER 31, 1979

CURRENT ASSETS

Cash - 8-Year Term Certificate	\$39,321	
Cash - 4-Year Term Certificate	39,108	
Checking Account	— 192	
90-Day Notice Account	604	
Petty Cash	300	\$ 79,141
Notes Receivable - Friends Community Development Corp.		20,000

FIXED ASSETS

Building and Grounds	\$ 197,335	
Less Depreciation	31,980	\$ 165,355
Furniture and Equipment	6,938	
Less Depreciation	3,488	3,450
Automobile	5,583	
Less Depreciation	2,783	2,800
TOTAL		\$ 270,746

LIABILITIES

Deposits (Residents)		\$ 2,514
Funds - Buildings and Grounds	\$ 193,240	
General	40,175	
Restricted	34,817	268,232
TOTAL		\$ 270,746

STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENSES

OPERATING REVENUE

Residents	\$ 68,722	
Contributions - Meals and Lodging	76	\$ 68,798

OPERATING EXPENSE

Staff	46,982	
Provisions	11,716	
Home	14,860	
Depreciation	6,631	
Consultants	3,069	
Insurance	3,073	
Automobile	1,470	
Miscellaneous	3,634	91,435

OPERATING INCOME (DEFICIT)

(\$22,637)

NON-OPERATING INCOME

Contributions	4,188	
Income from Huntington-Dixon Fund	\$8,198	
Less Subsidies	210	7,988
Interest Income	7,314	
Miscellaneous	319	19,809

NET DEFICIT

(\$2,828)

John Eavenson, Treasurer

41. Rosalind Cobb spoke to the printed report of the Minute 74 Committee. It is the hope of this committee to have a traveling teacher rotate among the five schools. Thomas Waring will be visiting the schools to evaluate what should be expected of this visiting Friend. We approved a change in the name of this committee to the "Committee on Minority Concerns at Friends Schools." David Burnham, Moses Brown Headmaster, expressed appreciation for the work of this committee.

COMMITTEE ON MINORITY CONCERNS AT FRIENDS SCHOOLS

(Formerly Minute 74 Committee)

Last April we agreed to suggest a change of name for this Committee. There were two major concerns for the year. We had hoped to repeat last year's successful workshop, since both interest and need had been spoken of by the schools. Time and effort were expended in the planning, but insufficient response caused it to be cancelled.

The second concern focussed on assessing the effect of our efforts to serve the schools better. Questionnaires to school staffs and personal visits by Committee members revealed that though earnest efforts are being made and some minority students continue to be enrolled, there continue to be pervasive lacks: high minority student drop-out, few minority teachers, administrators or board members, faculty generally unprepared for the multi-racial classroom, and lacks in the curriculum. All the schools perceive these lacks and seek remedies. It became clear that the aims of Yearly Meeting might better be served by finding an appropriate teacher-advisor to share time between the five schools. The teacher-advisor proposal has received positive response from the heads of the schools, and we are now actively seeking additional funds to sponsor such a program. The fact that the Obadiah Brown Benevolent fund increased its grant to \$2,000 will make our task of raising the needed money far easier.

42. Marjorie Hancock presented a minute from the Friends Educational Needs Committee. This minute was approved and we thereby lay down this committee with appreciation for its work.

Members of Friends Educational Needs Committee have given intense thought to the task outlined for this committee at the Yearly Meeting sessions in 1976. Much effort went into gathering data, sifting information and assembling insights to be distributed among Friends. An attempt was made to create an educational network among Friends. We found many Friends are so busy educating that they have little time for cross fertilization or committee inquiries. Increasingly, other committees, such as Minute 74, Minute 60, Peace and Social Concerns, and Christian Education, have become involved in concerns which cover much of the specific work that FEN tried to do. FEN Committee members want to contribute to these efforts by joining these Committees.

We request that the FEN Committee be laid down and the Nominating Committee be asked to contact the FEN Committee members regarding their interest in serving the Yearly Meeting on other committees. The major task of FEN, the concern for quality education in harmony with Friends Testimonies for all persons of all ages, is the responsibility of all Friends in New England Yearly Meeting whatever their committee appointment or vocation. We trust Friends are united in affirming this as worthy of the attention of all of us. We hope the Yearly Meeting will continue to support efforts to examine and improve education wherever they are undertaken.

43. Martha Gordon spoke to the printed report of the Committee on Sufferings. She read a letter from the Proeschers of Storrs, Connecticut, Meeting, thanking the Committee for its support.

COMMITTEE ON SUFFERINGS

The Committee on Sufferings has continued "to lend spiritual and material support to Friends who may suffer because of their faithfulness to our testi-

monies." At Yearly Meeting in 1979 we were given the additional task of overseeing the New England Friends Peace Tax Fund approved at that session, and our Committee was enlarged, at our request, by three members appointed at large. In a subsequent reorganization, we divided the responsibility for gathering and dispersing information among our members according to Quarters, with the Clerk serving as general correspondent. In September, a letter outlining this organization was sent to all Meetings in New England, informing them of their representatives from this Committee and asking that information be relayed to them about Friends who are making "major commitments of time and energy in witnessing for peace."

Sample copies of the approved tax refusal forms were included with this letter. Our suggestion that this Committee keep a record of war tax refusers, with a view toward mutual support, was not enthusiastically received, so at the moment, except for a few who have been directly in touch with us, their names are known only to the Treasurer of the Yearly Meeting.

Our principle energies this year have gone into raising money from Meetings and individuals for the relief of a family in dire financial need because the husband and father acted "boldly and positively for peace." In April a letter went to all New England Meetings requesting contributions for this family, members of Storrs Meeting, in response to a request to this Committee from Storrs, which had come near the end of its own resources for help. This was in accordance with the general feeling of the Yearly Meeting that, insofar as possible, local Meetings should try to meet the needs of their members. The response to our appeal has been heartening, and the family has been enabled to weather this difficult time.

We have learned a little better, through experience, how to support a person in prison or going through court procedures. Two members of this Committee attended the trial, in Cambridge, of several Friends charged with trespassing and "disturbing the peace" when they took part in a demonstration against nuclear weapons. We were pleased that they were allowed time in court to explain the reasons for their actions (which is not always the case). "What we seek," said one of them, "is an awakening to our common humanity and to the sacredness of life." Two of these people served prison sentences.

We know there are many Friends engaged in witnessing for peace in one way or another; unless some dramatic action or counter-action results, we are not likely to hear of them unless our information network is active. This Committee wishes to be of service and support.

The number of war tax refusers, depositors in both the Yearly Meeting and Cambridge Meeting Peace Tax Funds, is small but growing, some refusing the telephone tax, some the military portion of the income tax, some a token amount, some refusing to file, and a few deliberately living below taxable income. It should be understood that this fund is entirely separate from the fund for Sufferings which this Committee administers.

We gave approval for the Committee to write letters of recognition and support for tax refusers to help clarify their position with the Internal Revenue Service. We approved the following minute:

Suzanne Belote, of Cambridge Meeting, acting in the power of love and in obedience to Friends' peace testimony, participated in a Hiroshima Day prayer service in the courtyard of Draper Laboratory, the prime developer of guidance systems for U.S. nuclear missiles. She was arrested when she refused to leave. On August 13 she was found guilty of trespassing and sentenced to 14 days in the Correctional Institution in Framingham, Massachusetts.

We affirm Suzanne's act of obedience to the Spirit, undertaken in spite of the personal risks of imprisonment.

As she endures prison on our behalf, we hold her in our prayers.

We trust that her act will inspire each of us to seek fresh ways to witness nonviolently for peace.

44. Susan Furry presented "a Prophetic Vision of the Peaceable Kingdom," the product of the Peaceable Kingdom workshop. We accepted it with thanks for its message and agreed that it be included as we send out our Yearly Meeting epistles.

A PROPHETIC VISION OF THE PEACEABLE KINGDOM

Thus saith the Lord: Here and now you shall start to live in my commonwealth. You shall devote yourselves to do my will. You shall examine honestly the evils of the world, and humbly acknowledge your own involvement in them. You shall draw new courage from your obedience to me, so that you may have the strength to undertake risks and sacrifices. Your love for your neighbors shall give you joy and hope as you work to bring about the new world.

In that day the Lord in tender mercy shall heal all the divisions, fears, and hatreds of the suffering earth. God shall establish justice and peace among all humanity. Patience, moderation, humility, and self-sacrifice shall replace greed, pride, punishment and revenge in human hearts.

Then every person shall be valued as a child of God, and distinctions of race, class, age and sex shall cease to be important. The resources of the natural world and of human society shall be justly shared among all people. No one shall fear hunger, poverty, or loneliness, for we shall minister to each other with acceptance, joy, and compassion.

Each person shall have free and full opportunities to grow and to serve, through education and meaningful work; and children shall know at an early age that there is a place for them. All forms of useful work shall be respected and valued.

We shall love each other, rejoicing in our rich variety, and no one shall fear the stranger. We shall learn to listen to others with humility and love; with the help of divine love we shall respect the feelings and needs of others as deeply as our own. The strong shall serve the weak and shall help them to grow. The special wisdom of the very young and the very old shall be treasured and shared by all. Celebration and creativity shall enliven human fellowship; solitude and sharing shall each add richness to life.

People shall find their fulfillment in the service of God and neighbor, and not in the accumulation of material possessions and power. We shall respect that of God in all Creation. We shall live in loving harmony with the earth. Humankind shall be a joyful gardener of the world given us by God, and shall use its fruits wisely and moderately. Knowledge and technology shall serve human needs and human goals. The sick shall receive loving care, and the dying shall be served with dignity.

All weapon systems shall be converted to peaceful uses, and both nations and individuals shall resolve their differences patiently, justly, and non-violently.

People of all religious faiths shall follow the leadings of the divine light within each heart.

Then the Lord shall proclaim the year of Jubilee: the great celebration of justice for the poor, of peace for all the earth, and of love and joy in God's commonwealth.

45. Alison Oldham, for the Peace and Social Concerns Committee, presented the case for the "Call to Halt the Nuclear Arms Race." We approved that New England Yearly Meeting should add its name as an endorser.

CALL TO HALT THE NUCLEAR ARMS RACE

The United States and the Soviet Union should immediately and jointly stop the nuclear arms race. Specifically, they should adopt an immediate, mutual freeze on all further testing, production and deployment of nuclear weapons and of missiles and new aircraft designed primarily to deliver nuclear weapons.

We approved sending this Call to Friends United Meeting in

1981 in the hope that it will become an endorser.

46. Alan Eccleston presented a minute on War Tax Resistance. Approved.

War Tax Resistance

We are increasingly mindful of growing militarism at grass roots and governmental levels and readiness to look to military solutions of international problems. Most evident is the reinstatement of draft registration, which challenges our youth to examine their consciences and re-examine the spiritual basis of the Quaker Peace Testimony and its meaning to each of them, personally.

In the face of these circumstances, New England Friends are seeking God's leading in their lives. We know God's will is for us to live in peace with one another and to refuse to participate in or to support acts of violence. Many Friends feel that those of us who are not compelled by law to register for the draft face a similar challenge in our payment of taxes which fund the preparation for war. Therefore, we of New England Yearly Meeting will give prayerful consideration to witnessing to peace by non-payment of war taxes.

PEACE AND SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE

This year Peace and Social Concerns Committee has been rediscovering the power and strength of God's love as the central basis for social action. The message of the New Call to Peacemaking has influenced our work as a committee. This was reflected in our discussion with Ministry and Counsel in December, as we shared our thoughts on the spiritual basis for peacemaking and concluded that the task of our committees is one of a "kindred spirit." It was again reflected in the Northeast Regional New Call to Peacemaking Conference held in Lenox, Massachusetts in March which 25 members of New England Yearly Meeting attended. The findings of the conference reaffirmed "that the teaching of peace and the working for peace, within our own fellowship and in the wider world, are fully as integral and basic for a religious body as visiting the sick, counseling the perplexed and teaching children the tenets of our faith."

At New England Yearly Meeting last year, Peace and Social Concerns Committee requested that Monthly Meetings become more informed on the issues of registration and the draft, to offer counseling and to record in the minutes of their business sessions anyone who wished to go on record as a conscientious objector. Our committee sent out a letter of information to help Monthly Meetings in this regard. Additional efforts by Monthly Meetings included workshops, letter writing campaigns to the President, to Senators and to Representatives, advertisements and letters to local newspapers, and vigils and marches for peace.

Issues of disarmament, capital punishment, world hunger, refugees in Southeast Asia, war tax resistance, civil disobedience and affairs in the Middle East call for attention. There is also expressed deep concern with Friends emotional and spiritual response to living with a threat of nuclear holocaust and with ways to reach out to other churches, peace groups, to minorities and to members within our own Meetings with a message of peace. At Yearly Meeting, Peace and Social Concerns Committee will offer three workshops to try to meet some of these concerns.

In November, a New Call to Peacemaking Conference was held at Allen's Neck Meeting House. The possibility of releasing Friends to do peace work was again explored. This idea proposed two years ago at Yearly Meeting and again urged last year by Friends General Conference has yet to be acted upon. Individuals with concern have begun to take action. To act as a corporate body seems to be perplexing to Friends although the possibilities seem to intrigue us. The need is great, widespread motivation and commitment is somehow lacking.

Our meetings were a source of support and information for those able to attend. Yet meeting only four times a year with, on average, only 10% of our representatives in attendance, Peace and Social Concerns Committee cannot hope to do the amount of active peace work that is so very important to do. The long distances which some representatives have to travel is also a real difficulty. Yet we feel called to continue to increase our efforts to promote our vision of a Peaceable Kingdom.

Friday, August 15, 10:45 A.M.

47. The epistle from New York Yearly Meeting was read. In Friends' business meeting it is important to listen not just to words but to intent; to work out understanding between young and old, to become one in spirit.

48. Frances Crowe for the Peace and Social Concerns Committee presented a minute on registration and the draft. Because the minute appeared to say more than we could know of the feelings of others toward the draft and somewhat less than we might like on the relationship of social injustice and military service, we agreed to hear a reworked statement at our evening meeting.

49. We gave initial approval to a tentative budget for 6/1/80 to 5/31/81 presented by George Lear which reflected about a 10% rise over last year's budget.

50. George Lear presented the report of the Student Loan and Scholarship Committee.

STUDENT LOAN AND SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

The Student Loan and Scholarship Committee came into existence ninety years ago. There were funds available in the past for scholarships but in late years we have only revolving funds available to members of New England Yearly Meeting seeking further education.

This year the committee has given or has committed itself for this fall term loans to four students, and four former students were able to repay in full that which was loaned to them plus interest. This is a fine example of how our revolving system works.

At the present time we have \$18,000 available to loan to those who need financial assistance to obtain the education he or she needs to prepare for the chosen career. Because of limited funds we only loan \$1,000 at 4% interest to each student. Contact the committee member from your Quarterly Meeting or the clerk of this committee for more information.

51. Margaret Cates, Clerk, spoke to the printed report of the Executive Council. The special committee to define the task to be done by a Long Range Planning Committee has reported to the Council. Ruth Woodbridge explained some of its proposals.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

The Executive Council met during the year on September 22 in Cambridge, on January 12 in Wellesley, and on April 26 in Hartford.

We were privileged to have as a guest in January William Barton, General Secretary of the Friends World Committee for Consultation. He brought greetings from the FWCC and outlined its aims. We were urged by Gordon Browne and Caleb Smith to increase our support for this valuable committee.

The travel fund received a generous gift from the Obadiah Brown Fund to assist Friends in attending meetings at a distance. The fund is handled through the Yearly Meeting Treasurer who would welcome donations.

We were saddened in April to hear of the death of Caleb Smith who has made a valuable contribution to the Executive Council for many years.

We express sincere appreciation to our hardworking staff for their dedicated service. We recommend a 10% increase in staff salaries, benefits and expenses, as follows: Field Secretary, to \$14,690; Administrative Secretary, to \$11,825 (including new fringe benefits); Youth Secretary, to \$18,260.

Louis Marstaller reported to the Executive Council his desire to retire within two or three years. "There was discussion of the need for a Search Committee to pursue the subject of the selection of a new Field Secretary and a new Administrative Secretary within the the next two or three years.

"It was suggested that such a committee be appointed at Yearly Meeting, to report a year from now. This should be a comprehensive study, looking at the structure of the Yearly Meeting, changes in life style, economics, travel habits; examining committee functions and how they might be improved. The transition should take place slowly and thoughtfully, with new and old staff working together for a time.

"It was agreed to ask present and past Clerks of Yearly Meeting to confer as a special committee of the Executive Council. They would be empowered to coopt other Friends." (From Minute 32, Executive Council, April 26, 1980)

52. Louis Marstaller presented the Executive Council's recommendation that New England Yearly Meeting be held at University of Southern Maine in Gorham in 1981, probably August 17-22. This was approved. Executive Council was urged to try to arrange camping on the campus.

53. BOARD OF MANAGERS OF INVESTMENTS AND PERMANENT FUNDS REPORT FOR YEAR 4/1/79 - 3/31/80

For another year the "pooled Funds" have benefited from record high short term interest rates. The distribution of dividends and interest to constituents amounted to \$54.40 per 1000 units. This was in contrast to the suggestion at the beginning of the year that a total of \$44/1000 might be used for budgeting.

The Board is happy that constituents have had the use of these larger current distributions. Constituents are reminded that nothing is held back by the Board, even in periods of higher than expected income. Individual organizations, therefore may wish to use some of the unanticipated receipts as a reserve against future needs.

Planning for the Future

The Board is keenly aware that use of record high short term investment rates, the continuing inflation, and concurrent prospects of depression have kept us from longer term investments. We must look to investments that will provide increasing return to meet increasing costs of living, while at the same time providing as much current income as possible. The problem of striking a balance is illustrated by the breakdown by the sources of the \$54/1000 distribution this year. It was made up approximately as follows: \$16 from short term funds; \$20 from bonds; and \$18 from dividends on stocks.

Interest rates on short term funds are already falling sharply. Interest rates on bonds are fixed. Our dividends are from a diversified group of companies selected for the favorable prospect of increasing earnings and dividends. A period of deep recession, however, would make it unlikely that dividends would generally increase.

Comparison of total distributions in terms of 1000 units shows:

	3/31/74	3/31/75	3/31/76	3/31/77	3/31/78	3/31/79	3/31/80
Distributions		\$ 30.7	\$ 33.2	\$ 38.5	\$ 43.8	\$ 45.6	\$ 54.4
Market Value	\$756	\$643	\$740	\$720	\$685	\$716	\$659

For Budgeting 1980/81, \$50/1000 Suggested

The full financial report for 1979/80 is attached [at Clerk's desk]. After considering it and the prospects of carrying forward a balanced long-term and short-term program toward our income goal, the Board suggests that a distribution of \$50/1000 units is reasonable. Some members consider that in view of losses over the years and inflation, that some part of even this figure should be considered a return of capital. Each constituent organization should consider carefully the accounting that most nearly meets their own condition.

Operations

The Board has met as a whole each month, at Beacon Hill Friends House. Between meetings a designated list is available for telephone consultation by our Advisor when action is urgent. While a substantial portion of the Pooled Funds has been held in liquid funds, some changes have been made to improve the maturities of bonds. Changes have been made among stocks to get better diversification and more favorable dividend policies. The Treasurer has kept up

to date a cumulative "buy list" of stocks. Special note is made of those issues most needed to balance the portfolio and a sound price is agreed upon at which purchases should be started in gradual accumulation of a position.

During this year the Anderson Fund of Moses Brown School amounting to 15,576 units was withdrawn at a valuation of \$11,331.54 for support of sailing by students at the school.

Operating expenses were reduced, thanks largely to the voluntary reduction in fee by our Investment Advisor, Russell de Burlo.

Consultation With Constituents

In addition to the annual open meeting in June, 1979, another open meeting was held during Yearly Meeting. Also the Board had representatives meet with the Finance and Budget Committee of Moses Brown School in Providence. These interactions have been very helpful to the Board in sharpening a sense of needs and priorities. The current statement of Investment Perspective and Guidelines has grown from the search for constructive ways to invest capital in accordance with Friends testimonies for stewardship and against war, alcohol, tobacco and gambling. The Board also is alert to discriminatory practices and care for the environment. Some stocks have been dropped from the buy list because of the corporation's involvement in South Africa.

Transfers to Pooled Funds by Friends Organizations

The Board invites inquiries about investment in Pooled Funds by any organization of Friends. A shared concern with existing constituents for long term investment for income seems appropriate. There may be some advantage in making such transfers during a period when markets are relatively low.

Memorial to Caleb A. Smith, Minuted 5/21/80

"The Yearly Meeting's Board of Managers of Investments and Permanent Funds notes with a real sense of loss the passing of Caleb Allen Smith. His sage counsel, his knowledge of finance and of economic conditions, his good judgment and his cheerful willingness always to take on one more special task will be sorely missed. On the Board for nearly 10 years, Caleb participated constructively in making the Pooled Funds work more efficiently. Its history and ins and outs were subject to his phenomenal instant recall. We shall manage without him, but always with retroflective affection."

54. Harold Hoge gave the report of the Auditors.

AUDITORS OF THE PERMANENT FUNDS

Again we have examined the report of the Board of Managers of Investments and Permanent Funds. We find the report generally satisfactory, giving a clear picture of the actions of the Board.

The "Statement of Perspective and Guidelines for Pooled Funds" attached to the report is a useful document setting forth the policies of the Board and of the Yearly Meeting, both with respect to social commitment and to strictly financial matters.

We have examined the investment portfolio and with one exception find it to be in conformity with accepted policy with regard to social commitment, including the avoidance of investments in firms depending on war materials, alcoholic beverages, tobacco, and gambling. The exception is the rather large investment of \$259,000.00 in money market funds. This amounts to 19% of the total market value of the funds. Some fraction of these money market funds is undoubtedly being used by firms in which we would not be willing to invest directly. The Yearly Meeting may therefore wish to keep the amount invested in money market funds at a much lower level than 19%. The auditors realize that some highly liquid funds are needed to permit orderly buying and selling of securities, and hence we do not recommend that money market funds be eliminated entirely. We recommend that they be reduced from 19% to 5% or less of the value of the portfolio. If the Yearly Meeting considers taking action on this matter, it should know that money market funds have been highly attractive from the strictly financial viewpoint, yielding returns roughly double the average for all securities held.

We believe the financial reports and statements furnished by the Board, by Paine Webber Jackson & Curtis, and by the Industrial National Bank of Providence give a true and correct summary of the activity and present status

of the Pooled Funds of the Yearly Meeting. However, this belief is not based on a detailed financial audit. Rather, it is based on an inspection of the reports themselves and on a discussion with John S. Rounds, a Board member familiar with the accounting practices involved. A plan has been made for the auditors to receive a copy of each monthly statement of security transactions. This should make it possible for us to do a more detailed job of auditing next year.

August 1980 John R. Kellam, Harold Hoge, Kenneth Strobel, Auditors

Friday, August 15, 7:15 P.M.

55. A Memorial to Barbara Campbell Woodbury was read.

MEMORIAL TO BARBARA CAMPBELL WOODBURY

On December 5th, 1979, Portland Friends Meeting held a memorial meeting for worship in memory of a deeply loved member, Barbara Campbell Woodbury, who died suddenly at her home in Scarborough, Maine, on December 3rd, at the age of 62.

Barbara was born in Portland on March 10, 1917. She graduated from Pembroke College in Brown University in 1939. She worked in Washington for several years and married Robert Woodbury there on November 15, 1941.

Barbara worked in her father's bookstore for many years, but was best known and loved for her involvement in many social and peace activities in the Portland area. Her warmth, humor and good sense made her a fixture in peace marches and vigils, draft counselling and advocacy for the handicapped and disadvantaged. Barbara served as editor of "North Country," a newspaper which provided a forum for economic and social ideas.

These concerns naturally led her to Friends Meeting. She served the Meeting as a member of Peace and Social Concerns and Ministry and Counsel. Her term as Clerk of the Meeting was marked by an upsurge in activity and membership. Her caring and concern for individuals brought forth a tenderness and spirit of community that greatly enriched the Meeting's life.

Her house was a haven of warmth and love for her family and friends. Her door was never locked and all those who entered were enveloped in her simple and spontaneous hospitality.

Her friends remember her brilliant and wide-ranging conversation and her shafts of joyous and penetrating wit. Her sense of the ridiculous lightened many an earnest discussion. Her buoyant spirit was firmly grounded in a sense of the essential goodness of the universe and her certainty of her place in it. She moved through the world in joy and simplicity; the Inner Light became real to her friends in her person.

56. Louisa Alger for the Correspondence Committee presented the first draft of our Yearly Meeting epistle.

57. The revised minute on Registration and the Draft was presented and approved.

REGISTRATION AND THE DRAFT

Believing in the law of love, and striving to live "in the virtue of that life and power that takes away the occasion of all wars," we in the New England Yearly Meeting of Friends are deeply opposed to war and the preparation for war, including military conscription and registration for conscription.

We know that many young people who are legally required to register for the draft hold strong moral scruples against war. We reaffirm our long-standing support for those, both Friends and non-Friends, whose consciences lead them to reject participation in the armed forces. We encourage them to follow their consciences, and we stand ready to help, to the best of our ability, with information, counseling, and spiritual and practical support.

Many of those who reject military service will choose the legally available option of seeking classification as conscientious objectors—an option won only after long struggle by Friends and other peace-minded people. We continue to honor, support, and encourage those who take this position.

Other young people, in increasing numbers, are choosing to refuse to register at all, an act which breaks the present law. Most recognize that registration is not a neutral or innocuous act; its only reason for being is to bring members into

the armed forces, which exist to conduct war. Furthermore, many believe that existing procedures for granting conscientious objector status often tend to discriminate against young people from disadvantaged backgrounds who have had little opportunity to know about and build a case for conscientious objection. For these and other reasons, many young Friends and others are conscientiously led to refuse any cooperation with the Selective Service system.

We respect, honor, and encourage those whose faithfulness to the inner leading of their consciences causes them either to become conscientious objectors to military service within the law, or to refuse conscientiously to register for the draft. We do so even if, in the process, they and we may break the law.

We are saddened by the burden of difficult decisions with heavy consequences that is placed on all young people facing registration and conscription. Whatever personal decisions about registration and the draft young people may make, we in the Yearly Meeting will hold them in the Light, and extend our love and concern to them and their families.

We were reminded that, while the reimposition of draft registration is of special concern to Friends and to middle-class young people, young people from poor and racially pressured groups have long suffered the stresses of unemployment and economic deprivation that effectively force them into the military. Friends agree that we have too long neglected the implications of this "poverty draft." We recognize the need to educate ourselves about this issue, and to begin to work on it actively in our local Meetings and communities.

It was approved to forward the minute on Registration and the Draft to Friends United Meeting and recommend it for adoption.

58. Louisa Alger and William Barclay reported their visit to Junior Yearly Meeting, noting a very satisfactory meeting for worship and a fine spirit of togetherness.

59. The Clerk read a traveling minute for Harold and Gladys Tollefson from Whitewater Monthly Meeting, Indiana Yearly Meeting. Harold Tollefson, the founder and leader of our Junior Yearly Meeting for several years after its founding in 1930 gave us a message in honor of this 50th birthday. He traced the beginnings and early structure of Junior Yearly Meeting and emphasized the need it filled then and continues to fill. We greatly appreciate his traveling so far to be with us on this occasion.

Harold recognized former staff members who had worked with him in the early years of Junior Yearly Meeting, present with us this evening: Miriam Jones Brown, Evelyn Jones Wicke, Helen Cates Wyman, Lucille Jones Davis, Ruth Graham, Ruth Osborne Woodbridge, Margaret Cates, Shirley Richardson Leslie, Mary Elizabeth Jones, Selah Richmond, Virginia Millward Phillips, Barbara White Haddad, Doris Jones Yule, Gladys Jones Tollefson, Ruth Smith, and David Douglas.

60. Janet Hoffman, coordinator of Junior Yearly Meeting, presented a program which included the singing of the original Junior Yearly Meeting theme song, a 1967 version sung to a Beatles' tune, and one of today's favorites. We found excerpts read from early minutes and epistles fascinating and often still timely. These minutes revealed how closely the Junior Yearly Meeting program paralleled the program of the adult Yearly

Meeting. Letters from former clerks attested to the affection and influence still felt for the JYM program through the years.

Former clerks of JYM were recognized. We appreciate the many hours that Evelyn Wicke has spent in gathering historical material for the JYM exhibit and in writing to past JYM clerks, inviting them to our celebration.

Saturday, August 16, 10:45 A.M.

61. Dwight Spann-Wilson, who with his wife Niyonu has spoken so eloquently of Elias Hicks in our Bible Half Hours this week, gave a brief appeal for more interest and support of Friends General Conference from New England Friends.

FRIENDS GENERAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

One hundred and thirty-three people from New England were recently at the General Gathering of Friends 1980 at Ithaca College, according to the address list compiled there! Of course, we came in all sizes and shapes and ages, and maybe two or three were from Meetings that belong to New York. Even so, have so many of us ever attended before, even in the days of the General Conference of Friends at Cape May?

Our FGC Committee would be happy to take some of the credit for this; but it looks like work from the Grass Roots Level, and more widespread than we are! We have other more serious things to think on. We must constantly keep in mind the programs that FGC offers to our Monthly Meetings, especially the Living Light series for First Day Schools (a joint project with Friends United Meeting), and the introductory pamphlets "Friends and . . ." series. What can we offer to FGC? Increased financial support, so that no programs, new or old, will have to be cut back or staff dropped. Also we can offer participation and moral support whenever we are called upon.

62. The money realized from the Wednesday evening simple meal will go for support of a foster home for Indian children in Massachusetts. We agree to repeat the simple meal next year and decide at that time upon the recipient.

63. Beatrice Wehmeyer presented the report of the Committee on Aging.

COMMITTEE ON AGING

Like reluctant travelers who need support and encouragement to pack up and arrive at the right place and on time, some of us are troubled or confused when we meet aging, dying, death, or grief. The Committee on Aging has been requested by Ministry and Counsel and others to facilitate the drawing up of working papers in the form of Queries on these subjects, which will ultimately be used as supplements to the pamphlet entitled *Living With Oneself and Others*. We ask input from individuals and Meetings in our exploration of all aspects of this passage — both the needs of the individuals concerned and the needs of their families, friends and Meetings.

64. The following minute was presented and approved. We appreciate the willingness of members uncomfortable with the minute to stand aside.

While we cannot fully unite behind the goals of Friends for Lesbian and Gay Concerns, nor yet fully understand them, we appreciate FLGC's efforts in fostering Christian love and providing personal support for those in need. We reappoint Jana Noyes and Perry Norton our representatives to Friends for Lesbian and Gay Concerns for one year in the hope that our concern and wisdom, in its full diversity, will be available to FLGC.

65. Carol Morris presented the report of the Young Adult Friends Exploratory Committee. We accepted this report and approved the continuation of the "Committee for Young Adult

Friends" as a committee of the Yearly Meeting, and for this year we approved making funds available to this committee through the Executive Council.

YOUNG ADULT FRIENDS

This year was one of growth and participation for Young Adult Friends. We learned how to handle the responsibilities that go along with being an active part of the Yearly Meeting. We also found ourselves more interested in, and appreciative of, the workings of our Monthly Meetings, and of the Yearly Meeting as a whole. Some problems came up, but that was expected. The problems were worked out and we are now on a stronger track.

We see Young Adult Friends as a bridge to full participation in adult meeting activities, and as a means of developing the skills and resources needed for this. It can provide fellowship among young adults, especially for those who come from small Meetings, by sponsoring New England-wide workshops and retreats geared to young adult interests. We hope to provide an effective outreach to re-attract the interest of young adult Friends whose involvement in Meeting activities has dropped.

To continue filling these needs we recommend a steering committee of five people: Jonie LaBombard, Carol Morris, Len Newcomb, Sarah Strong and Thoreau Raymond. In the coming year we propose to hold several workshops and retreats; one dealing with the draft and registration, to be held in the Worcester area during Columbus Day weekend with George Furst as a resource person. Another proposed retreat would be held at Friends Community at North Easton with Elizabeth Watson. A third conference expected in the coming year would focus on intentional communities.

We ask that New England Yearly Meeting give Young Adult Friends its support, and access to its resources. Specifically, we would like to have our committee of five continue as the New England Yearly Meeting committee for Young Adult Friends. We would again like to request \$200 for expenses under the same arrangement as last year. Although we did not spend the entire amount last year, we expect increased activities and services in the coming year.

66. Elizabeth Furst, for the Christian Education Committee, presented the following minute:

The Christian Education Committee appreciates the time and effort given by Jan Hoffman as Junior Yearly Meeting coordinator. This has freed the committee to turn its full attention to identifying and responding to the needs of the Monthly Meetings. We would like to continue responding to these urgent needs, and, therefore, we make the following recommendation.

The Christian Education Committee recommends that the Yearly Meeting establish the position of Junior Yearly Meeting coordinator as a year-round part-time paid position. The recruitment for this position would be the responsibility of the Yearly Meeting Program Committee with the help of the Christian Education Committee and the Youth Secretary. We suggest a salary of \$300 to be paid through Junior Yearly Meeting appropriations.

A paid position would encourage a person to commit him/herself for more than one year. This would provide the continuity to ensure a high quality program for our children.

This position would be under the care and supervision of the Yearly Meeting Program Committee during the year. The Christian Education Committee would be available for support as needed during the Yearly Meeting sessions. The coordinator would be responsible for planning and staffing the Junior Yearly Meeting program and would be an ex officio member of the Yearly Meeting Program Committee.

It was approved.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE

The Christian Education Committee has been very fortunate again this year to have Michael Carter as Youth Secretary share his time, knowledge, and inspirational youth leadership with us as a committee. A workshop was held at Salem Quarterly Meeting last fall and many Monthly Meetings have been visited

to help solve the problems local Meetings are facing. Michael carries the Christian Education traveling library around with him displaying current exciting and useful resource materials. We feel that visiting Meetings in this manner has been an extremely beneficial use of his time. Through these visits he has been able to provide resources to help local R.E. Committees, lead Young Friends retreats, and increase exposure to the China Camp program to more people within the Yearly Meeting.

The committee is also grateful to Jan Hoffman for volunteering her time to coordinate Junior Yearly Meeting this year. She has done an excellent job in organizing staff and ideas for an exciting 50th anniversary of JYM.

The committee's primary concern this year has been finding ways to use the committee better to reach and help local Meetings. We are very concerned that many Meetings do not have organized youth programs, that existing ones are not well attended, that leadership is often not available, or that some excellent leaders get burned out. We feel that religious education both at the family and Meeting level is very vital in furthering the growth of Quakerism. With this in mind, we held a retreat in Falmouth, May 9 and 10th, at which we examined the purposes of the committee and set up working subcommittees to provide the services to nourish the religious educational needs of our constituent Meetings.

67. For the Nominating Committee Jean Kennison presented further nominations which were approved.

68. George Furst, Clerk of the Representatives' meeting, gave their report, which was accepted and the nominations approved.

We wish to express appreciation to Barbara Haddad for three faithful years as recording clerk of the Yearly Meeting.

We make the following nominations for clerks during 1980-1981:

Presiding Clerk:	SYLVIA S. PERRY
Recording Clerk:	THOREAU RAYMOND
Reading Clerk:	TRACY BOOTH
Reading Clerk:	HOBART MITCHELL

Because there continues to be uneasiness about items in our budget for Friends United Meeting, Friends General Conference and Friends World Committee for Consultation, we ask the Yearly Meeting Program Committee to hold a meeting of Friends in preparation for next Yearly Meeting to consider our contributions to Friends organizations.

69. We approved the revised budget and recommendations of the Finance Committee.

NEW ENGLAND YEARLY MEETING BUDGET

June 1, 1980 to May 31, 1981

Yearly Meeting Expenses

Yearly Meeting Session	\$ 700
Young Friends Yearly Meeting	350
Junior Yearly Meeting	1,100
Yearly Meeting Clerk	200
Yearly Meeting Treasurer	200
Printing Minutes	2,500
	<hr/> 5,050

Field Secretary

Salary (part time)	9,200
Health Insurance	325
Retirement Fund	950
Travel Expenses	3,700
	<hr/> 14,175

Administrative Secretary

Salary (part time)	6,200
Office Rental	1,365
Office Expense	3,300
Health Insurance	325
Retirement Fund	650
Stenographic Assistance	500
	<hr/> 12,340

Youth Secretary

Salary	9,500
Health Insurance	650
Retirement Fund	950
Housing	3,460
Travel Expenses	3,700
	<hr/> 18,260

Yearly Meeting Committees

Aging	150
Archives & Historical Records	600
China Camp	1,000
Christian Education	450
Right Sharing World Resources	200
Executive Council	500
Faith & Practice Revision	50
Ministry and Counsel	800
Minority Concerns/Schools	250
Nominating	50
Peace & Social Concerns	300
Prejudice and Poverty	200
Student Loan & Scholarship	25
Wider Ministries	100
Young Friends	500
	<hr/> 5,175

Friends Organizations

American Friends Service Committee	200
Friends Committee on National Legislation	500
Friends Council on Education	100
Friends General Conference	3,531
Friends United Meeting	5,947
F.U.M. Activities	4,700
Friends World Committee for Consultation	1,487
	<u>16,465</u>

Miscellaneous

Travel, NEYM Representatives	500
FUM Travel Pool	300
New Call to Peacemaking	275
Travel NCP Conference	400
Special, Amesbury Meetinghouse	600
New Office Equipment	846
	<u>2,921</u>

TOTAL BUDGET	\$74,386
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RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

1. The Yearly Meeting depends for its support on voluntary contributions from the Monthly Meetings. If any Monthly Meeting fails to contribute its fair share, other Monthly Meetings must make up the deficit, or the Yearly Meeting will spend more than it receives. The present budget calls for expenses approximately equivalent to \$20.00 per member of the Yearly Meeting.

2. Yearly Meeting committees may not exceed the expenses authorized for them in the budget and they should not contribute money to other organizations. The Treasurer is not authorized to pay any expenses in excess of the budget without prior approval of the clerk of the Finance Committee.

3. China Camp, New England Friends Home and Young Friends Committee each has its own treasurer. Other Yearly Meeting Committees are not authorized either to hold or to disburse funds on behalf of the Yearly Meeting except through the Yearly Meeting Treasurer.

4. That no general appeals by any committees of the Yearly Meeting or by organizations of which we are a constituent part should be made directly to the members of the Yearly Meeting without prior approval of the Finance Committee except by those committees which have been previously authorized to do so, namely: the Equalization Fund, Prejudice and Poverty, Minority Concerns in Friends Schools, China Camp, FGG, FUM, FWCC, Right Sharing of World Resources, Student Loan and Scholarship, Sufferings, and Young Friends Committees.

5. That the Treasurer be authorized to accept money for transmittal to Friends Committee on National Legislation in an amount not to exceed ten (10) percent of the Yearly Meeting budget.

6. That the audit of the accounts of the China Camp Committee by Ralph Austin, and the Young Friends Committee by Robert Wehmeyer for their respective most recently completed fiscal years be accepted.

7. That Ralph Austin be appointed to audit the accounts of the Treasurer of the China Camp Committee, that Polly Wood be appointed to audit the accounts of the Treasurer of the New England Friends Home, and that Finley Perry be appointed to audit the accounts of the Young Friends Committee, in each case for the current fiscal year. It is earnestly suggested that in each case the auditor's report be included with the regular annual committee report.

8. That the audit of the accounts of the Yearly Meeting Treasurer by Fred L. Wheeler for the fiscal year ending May 31, 1980 be accepted.

9. That Fred L. Wheeler be appointed to audit the accounts of the Yearly Meeting Treasurer for the fiscal year ending May 31, 1981.

10. That Robert M. Brill be appointed as Treasurer for the ensuing year or until his successor is appointed and qualified, and that he be authorized to open and close bank accounts in the name of the Yearly Meeting as needed.

11. That Henry Baechler and the Clerk of the New England Yearly Meeting be named as alternate signers, individually, of all bank accounts of the New England Yearly Meeting for the ensuing year or until their successors are appointed and qualified.

12. The fund for travel expenses of representatives of New England Yearly Meeting is to be used as needed with the approval of the Yearly Meeting Clerk. If in any year it is not fully expended, the balance will be continued to be held in a travel fund for the future use of such representatives. It is hoped that this will facilitate the accumulation of a somewhat larger travel fund within a few years.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TREASURER
June 1, 1979 — May 31, 1980
RECEIPTS FOR BUDGET

Connecticut Valley Quarter

Hartford	\$ 8,800.00
Litchfield Hills	460.00
Middletown	900.00
Mt. Toby	3,000.00
New Haven	1,300.00
New London	250.00
Storrs	1,000.00
	<u>\$15,710.00</u>

Dover Quarter

Concord	\$ 250.00
Dover	400.00
Gonic	210.00
Weare	340.00
	<u>\$ 1,200.00</u>

Falmouth Quarter

Durham	\$ 1,400.00
Parsonsfeld	30.00
Portland	1,400.00
North Sandwich	75.00
Windham	360.00
	<u>\$ 3,265.00</u>

Northwest Quarter

Bennington	\$ 550.00
Burlington	650.00
Hanover	1,287.00
Middlebury	308.00
Monadnock	385.00
Plainfield	200.00
Putney	350.00
Wilderness	198.00
	<u>\$ 3,928.00</u>

Rhode Island-Smithfield Quarter

Providence	\$ 3,999.57
Smithfield	1,261.05
Westerly	800.00
Worcester-Pleasant St.	1,500.00
	<u>\$ 7,560.62</u>

Salem Quarter

Acton	\$ 670.00
Amesbury	100.00
Cambridge	13,000.00
Lawrence	530.00
Lynn	—
Wellseley	4,173.00
	<u>\$18,473.00</u>

Sandwich Quarter

Allen's Neck	\$ 620.76
Dartmouth	550.00
North Dartmouth	400.00
Marion	130.00
New Bedford Monthly	700.00
New Bedford Particular	350.00
Long Plain	—
Mattapoisett	380.00
Sandwich	700.00
West Falmouth	675.72
Yarmouth	1,000.00
Swansea	600.00
Westport	810.00
	<u>\$ 6,916.48</u>

Vassalboro Quarter

Acadia	\$ 320.00
China	600.00
Cobscook	95.00
Midcoast	350.00
North Fairfield	486.00
Oak Grove	—
Orono	390.00
Vassalboro	800.00
Winthrop	274.14
	<u>\$ 3,315.14</u>

Total from Meetings	\$60,368.24
From individuals	1,590.86
From investments	517.45
Net interest on savings	5,047.21
Faith and Practice receipts	421.75
Total Receipts for Budget	<u>\$67,945.51</u>

BUDGET ACCOUNTS

	Income & Credits	Budget Allotment	Outgo
Yearly Meeting Expenses			
Yearly Meeting Session	\$ 28,694.99	\$ 600.00	\$29,871.92
Young Friends Yearly Meeting		350.00	558.00
Junior Yearly Meeting		800.00	750.35
Yearly Meeting Clerk's Expense		200.00	38.34
Yearly Meeting Treasurer's Expense	32.80	200.00	150.30
Printing Yearly Meeting Minutes		1,900.00	2,250.00
Subtotal	\$ 28,727.79	\$ 4,050.00	\$33,618.91
Field Secretary			
Salary - part time		8,400.00	8,400.00
Retirement		905.00	905.00
Health Insurance		650.00	650.00
Travel and Expenses		3,400.00	2,639.41
Subtotal		\$13,355.00	\$12,594.41
Administrative Secretary			
Salary - part time		6,200.00	6,200.00
Office Rental		750.00	750.00
Office Expense		3,300.00	3,180.64
Stenographic Assistance		500.00	182.75
Subtotal		\$10,750.00	\$10,313.39
Youth Secretary			
Salary		9,500.00	9,500.00
Retirement		950.00	950.00
Housing		2,100.00	2,100.00
Health Insurance		650.00	650.00
Travel and Expenses		3,400.00	3,835.02
Subtotal		\$16,600.00	\$17,035.02
Committees			
Aging		150.00	
Archives and Historical Records	40.00	600.00	623.32
China Camp		1,000.00	1,000.00
Christian Education	85.45	450.00	246.60
Executive Council		500.00	—
Faith and Practice Revision		50.00	6.30
Friends Educational Needs		50.00	—
Ministry and Counsel	357.67	800.00	1,015.08
Minute 74 Expenses	281.00	250.00	531.00
Nominating		50.00	—

Peace and Social Concerns	187.25	250.00	423.80
New Call to Peacemaking	200.05	275.00	482.11
Prejudice and Poverty Expenses		200.00	95.55
Right Sharing of World Resources Expenses		200.00	198.20
Student Loan & Scholarship Expenses		25.00	20.00
Wider Ministries		100.00	25.20
Young Friends Activities		500.00	500.00
Subtotal	\$ 1,151.42	\$ 5,450.00	\$ 5,167.16
Friends Organizations			
American Friends Service Committee		200.00	200.00
Friends Comm. on National Legis.		500.00	500.00
Friends Council on Education		100.00	100.00
Friends General Conference (95¢/member)		3,531.00	3,531.00
Friends United Meeting - Activities		4,700.00	4,700.00
Friends United Meeting (1.60/member)		5,947.00	5,947.00
Friends World Committee/Consultation (40¢/member)			
Subtotal		1,487.00	1,487.00
Miscellaneous			
Travel for NEYM Representatives		500.00	500.00
Travel Pool for FUM		300.00	300.00
Subtotal		\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00
BUDGET ACCOUNTS TOTAL	\$ 29,879.21	\$67,470.00	\$95,993.89
Working Capital forward from 5-31-79	15,323.32		
Credits and debits to Working Capital	396.03		
Receipts for Budget Accounts	67,945.51		
TOTAL FOR BUDGET ACCOUNTS & WORKING CAPITAL TO CARRY FORWARD TO NEXT YEAR	\$113,544.07		\$16,219.35

Friends should note that although the carry-forward figure of \$16,219.35 is \$896 ahead of last year's carryover, this good news is clouded by the fact that Meetings, individuals and investments produced only \$62,476 toward the \$67,470 budget. Only the abnormally high interest rates of the past year yielded the \$5047 that met our budget. In the coming years, we shall have to raise our giving in order to meet our budget commitments. Some Meetings are using \$18 per capita as a way to determine their giving; this is a high figure for some Meetings, reasonable for some and low for others; in addition to the per capita method, Meetings should use various criteria for determining their giving. New England Yearly Meeting does not assess: we ask Meetings and individuals to give of their free will. The need for increased giving is clear.

NON-BUDGET ACCOUNTS			Outgo	Balance 5-31-80
Bequest Funds	Forward 6-1-79	Income & Credits		
Boyce & Gifford (for Western Indians)		\$ 86.11	\$ 86.11	
Anna M. Brown (for education of R.I. farmers' children)	\$ 4,190.71	416.23		\$ 4,606.94
Boyce, Camp, Knowles & Sturge (for education of freedmen)	2,169.69	2,632.01	2,200.00	2,601.70
J.G. Greene (for Sandwich Meeting and Y.M. owned Friends education)		448.75	448.75	
Hansen & Hill (for Hingham Home)		489.15	489.15	
Hayden (for Providence Mtg., USFW, & Board of Missions)		932.24	923.24	
E.M. Jones (for Parsonsfield Meeting)	405.57	83.24		488.81
Kirby (for evangelistic work in Sandwich Quarter)	1,212.50	124.69		1,337.19
Mosher (for printing & circulating tracts on Quaker principles)	1,871.36	965.23	15.50	2,821.09
Pittsfield & Varney (for Ministry & Counsel)	219.65	437.78	500.00	157.43
Subtotal	\$10,069.48	\$ 6,615.43	\$ 4,671.75	\$12,013.16
Contributory Funds				
Amesbury Meeting House	93.89	1,944.15	741.82	1,296.22
Archives & Historical Records	496.08	63.32	559.40	
Lindley & Mary Binford	2,000.00			2,000.00
China Camp	582.00	335.00	917.00	
Equalization Fund	5,366.20	3,942.54	4,798.10	4,510.64
FCNL - contributions by individuals		5,420.00	5,420.00	
FUM - contributions by individuals and Meetings		288.04	288.04	
FUM - investment income		1,934.10	1,934.10	
Meeting for Sufferings	235.00	2,425.00	1,375.00	1,285.00
Minute 74	5,076.74	5,983.11	6,300.00	4,759.85
New England Friends Home		9,628.15	9,628.15	
Peace Tax		3,929.47		3,929.47
Prejudice and Poverty	5,091.30	5,571.83	8,310.00	2,353.13
Right Sharing of World Resources	1,425.00	625.36	2,050.36	
Student Loan & Scholarship	16,266.64	4,248.13	1,613.00	18,901.77
Travel for Faith and Practice				
Revision Committee		500.00	38.00	462.00

Travel for FWCC attendance U.S. & abroad	1,000.00		1,000.00
Travel for Y.M. Committee attendance	1,430.25	249.85	1,206.85
Travel for St. Louis Conference on Pastoral Ministry	900.00	700.00	200.00
Travel Pool for FUM Triennial	200.00		1,110.13
Subtotal	\$50,368.45	\$44,922.82	\$43,015.06
Other Funds			
Deferred Receipts	187.00	85.45	187.00
Maple Grove Parsonage	189.76		3,566.90
Retirement for Field Secretary	202.10		678.16
Retirement for Youth Secretary	1,105.23		2,531.13
Withholding taxes	2,179.40	1,929.60	529.90
Subtotal	\$ 3,863.49	\$ 2,015.05	\$ 7,493.09
TOTAL NON-BUDGET ACCOUNTS	\$53,283.56	\$51,609.62	\$62,521.31
WORKING CAPITAL	\$60,847.37		\$16,219.35
GRAND TOTAL			\$78,740.66

On deposit May 31, 1980 in Connecticut Bank & Trust Co. (Checking acc't.)

Society for Savings, Hartford	160.59
Franklin Savings Bank, NY	1,037.73
Penobscot Savings Bank, Maine (Marsteller)	20,222.52
Connecticut Savings & Loan (Prejudice & Poverty)	678.16
Connecticut Savings & Loan (Student Loan)	2,353.13
Hartford Federal Savings & Loan (Carter retirement)	7,071.33
Mechanics Savings Bank, Hartford (Peace Tax)	455.22
The Reserve Fund (General Funds)	3,929.47
The Reserve Fund (Student Loan)	28,926.16
The Reserve Fund (Carter retirement)	11,830.44
	2,075.91
	\$78,740.66

Robert M. Brill, Treasurer

To: Sylvia S. Perry, Clerk

On June 17, 1980 I examined and found correct the books and the report of the Treasurer of the New England Yearly Meeting of Friends for the year ending May 31, 1980.

The Treasurer's report reflects the receipts and expenditures during such year and is in agreement with the bank balances as of May 31, 1980.

We are still very fortunate to have such conscientious, careful, and complete record keeping done by our Treasurer, Robert M. Brill.

June 18, 1980

Fred L. Wheeler, Auditor

70. We approved that Robert M. Brill be appointed as Treasurer for the ensuing year or until his successor is appointed and qualified, and that he be authorized to open and close bank accounts in the name of the Yearly Meeting as needed.

71. We approved that Henry Baechler and the Clerk of New England Yearly Meeting be named as alternate signers, individually, of all bank accounts of New England Yearly Meeting for the ensuing year or until their successors are appointed and qualified.

72. Tracy Booth spoke to the printed report of the Committee on Prejudice and Poverty. She asked members to 1) respond to the financial appeal, 2) act as communicators of the thrust of the Committee on Prejudice and Poverty to the Meetings, and 3) find needs that could be helped by the Committee.

COMMITTEE ON PREJUDICE AND POVERTY

Response to the fall appeal letter reflects the strong commitment of Friends to extending our caring and support into our diverse community. This is important outreach for New England Yearly Meeting as it conveys our spiritual connections to our neighbor as well as our understanding for their continuous effort for betterment.

The interest of the Committee on Prejudice and Poverty has remained for the most part rooted in "self help" projects. This year in two instances we have funded individuals. Consideration for several requests was denied on the basis of apparent stability of an existing organization or the lack of its application to the focus of the committee.

Discussion and review of our funding was stimulated by an interested contributor. We became alerted to the lack of communication between the Committee and New England Yearly Meeting members and Monthly Meetings who support this outreach. A summary letter and explanations will be sent to clerks of Monthly Meetings and anyone wishing more information this fall.

1979-1980 Grants Awarded

\$ 100	MULANEH - New Haven, Connecticut, Latin American Women; for printing educational materials
900	Self Development Group - Boston, Ex offenders support for daily needs for reentering community
610	Parenting and Literacy Project - Addison County, VT, Printing materials for youthful illiterates in rural life; Margaret MacNeil
1200	Massachusetts Correctional Legal Services - Boston, Legal Fees Walpole Prison inmates vs. State of Massachusetts for basic health and sanitary conditions
1000	Maine Indian Text Book Committee, expenses for compilation of material for Indian View of History
100	Association of Aroostook Indian Camp Fund - Houlton, Maine, Scholarship contribution
1500	Mashpee Reconciliation - Mass., Sandra Faxon, Individual living and working in community to build bridges of trust
2000	Blackstone Valley Emergency Shelter - Providence, RI, Funding for Facility Preparation for Families of Violence
1000	Somerset Organization Mutual Assistance - N. Anson, ME, Cottage Industry for low income persons
1000	Somerset Organization Mutual Assistance, loan for materials
\$9410	

73. Ruth Smith reported for the Equalization Fund Committee. Approximately 100 persons received Equalization Fund aid to attend the 1980 Yearly Meeting. Around \$4,750 was expended

from the Fund for this purpose. For the most part, people applied before the deadline, in compliance with the suggestions of the Committee. There were a few late ones, due to circumstances beyond their control. Many people expressed appreciation for the financial help they received.

EQUALIZATION FUND COMMITTEE

The Equalization Fund Committee met April 26, 1980 at Committee Day in the West Hartford Meeting House. There were three members of the committee present.

It was determined to pay up to $\frac{1}{2}$ of the cost of room and board for Friends who wish to attend Yearly Meeting, but find the cost a hardship.

Early application and registration have been stressed this year to help facilitate the work of the Committee and the Registrar.

The Committee thanks the Obadiah Brown Fund and the many Monthly Meetings, Quarterly Meetings and individuals who have generously contributed to the Equalization Fund year after year. Many people in need have benefitted by their support.

74. Total registration at this Yearly Meeting was 568: Adults, 425; Young Friends, 45; Juniors, 98.

75. We expressed our appreciation for the hard work and patience of our Clerk, Sylvia S. Perry.

76. A minute in recognition of Marjorie Swann's work as Executive Secretary of the New England Regional Office, American Friends Service Committee, was approved, and will be sent to the Philadelphia and Cambridge offices of the AFSC.

Nonviolence has been Marjorie Swann's life work. Her commitment to direct action, her reconciling spirit, her personal counsel and her visionary thinking about constructive program have done much to enable a truly nonviolent movement for justice and peace. Her personal care for everyone she knows and her direct, clear, simple manner make her a delightful person to work with.

We honor Marjorie Swann as she ends five years as Executive Secretary of the American Friends Service Committee (New England Regional Office). We cannot fully express our gratitude for her spiritual, political and organizational leadership and our debt to her vision and guidance.

77. Susan Devokaitis presented, from Peace and Social Concerns Committee, a letter on Iran. Although many felt the letter to be imperfect, we approved that it be sent, authorizing the Committee to make editorial changes.

A Letter to President Carter, Secretary of State Muskie, and Senators and Representatives from New England.

We of the New England Yearly Meeting Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) are deeply concerned by the continuing hostility between Iran and the United States. We understand that the hostages were taken and are being held largely because of the Iranian feeling that the United States was and continues to be a threat to the independence of Iran. We do not condone their taking of hostages. Neither do we condone any military action or other hostile interventions by our government.

We believe a public Congressional hearing on the United States' role in Iran during the last 30 years would be helpful and instructive in helping Americans to understand Iranian attitudes toward us. We ask our government to cease punitive political, economic and military actions against Iran and instead to seek to negotiate just termination of present grievances on both sides.

It is entirely compatible with dignity and honor that the United States government acknowledge any wrongdoings of the past. We believe that for our government to express its regrets for injuries done to the Iranian people would

help to establish mutual respect and peaceful relations between our peoples and would encourage not only the release of the American hostages but also future amicable relations between our countries.

78. A letter to the people of Iran, to be sent via the United Nations Iranian Delegation, was presented and approved.

A Letter to the People of Iran

We of the New England Yearly Meeting Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) are deeply concerned and grieved by the continuing hostility between Iran and the United States. We earnestly desire to help remove the barriers to friendship between your people and ours.

We understand that the hostages were taken and are being held largely because of your feeling that the United States was and continues to be a threat to your independence. We do not condone the taking of hostages. Neither do we condone any military action or other hostile interventions by our government. We are asking our government for a public Congressional hearing on the United States role in Iran during the last 30 years. We are also asking our government to cease punitive political, economic and military actions against Iran and instead to seek to negotiate just termination of present grievances on both sides.

We sincerely regret any wrong done to the people of Iran by our government. We hope for the release of the hostages and for an era of justice and mutual respect between our two nations.

79. The following written reports were prepared for Yearly Meeting, but not spoken to specifically during the session.

WIDER MINISTRIES COMMITTEE

Hermann Patt, Slow Turtle (John Peters) and Betsy Lewis represented New England Yearly Meeting at the "Friends and Indians in the '80's" conference, November 12-15, 1979, at William Penn House in Washington, DC. About 50 people gathered to consider current and prospective Friends' work with and among Indians. The Wider Ministries Committee published a newsletter in February which focussed on Friends work with Indians and reported that conference. Hermann Patt, New England Yearly Meeting's representative on the Associated Committee of Friends on Indian Affairs attended the annual meeting in April.

Over one hundred pounds of books were sent to Namirama Girls School in Kenya where Marian Baker is headmistress. Contributed by New England Friends, the books included Shakespeare, elementary English texts, biographies, easy science texts, a set of encyclopedias, atlases, and the *Friendly Story Caravan*. At the same time four boxes were sent to Friends Hospital at Kaimosi, Kenya (postage paid by Durham Woman's Society) of plastic bottles (screw top), a few reading glasses and bandages.

Four students were given direct scholarships from the Freedmen's Funds — students at Meharry Medical School (TN) and at St. Augustine's College (NC). Also a grant was made to Meharry's summer enrichment program. Total was \$2200.

MOSHER BOOK AND TRACT COMMITTEE

The Mosher Book and Tract Committee continues its custom of presenting a book to the library of each new Monthly Meeting. The three this year were Cobscook and Narramissic Valley in Maine and Framingham in Massachusetts. We were much touched by the careful thought that went into each choice and request. We have also been able to supply some funds to help with posters and publications that are part of New England Yearly Meeting's special day, July 28, of Boston's Jubilee.

We are being a little careful right now, because we have boldly pulled our publishing project to the front burner. Margaret Fell Fox's "Women Speaking, Justified, proved and allowed of by the Scriptures" was first printed in London in 1666. There are no recent editions and no other presently contemplated on either side of the Atlantic. We hope eventually to sell most of the 5000 copies we have published. We have applied for additional funding for this.

80. Cara Owen, Clerk, read the epistle from Junior Yearly Meeting.

JUNIOR YEARLY MEETING EPISTLE

To Friends Everywhere:

This year was the 50th anniversary of Junior Yearly Meeting. In celebration of this event, letters were sent to past clerks, asking them to describe their experiences with Junior Yearly Meeting. Harold Tollefson (the founder of Junior Yearly Meeting) spoke to us. Clerks were there and some of the past Epistles were read to us. Most of us enjoyed it very much.

We also held our annual festival (with Junior Yearly Meeting booths such as an art show, a bubble gum blowing contest, hair braiding, a computer matching family service, a hugging booth, and body painting). We made a special cake in the shape of J.Y.M. letters. This cake was made out of ten (13 by 9 inch) cakes. the nursery children made 24 cupcakes for the "50".

During the week Tim Barclay, Daisy Newman, and Louisa Alger were appointed to visit us from the adult Yearly Meeting. Daisy so wanted to be with us that when she was hurrying to get to our business meeting, she slipped and broke her hip bone. That day we all felt sorry for her but we kept up with our regular activities as we knew she would want us to do.

On the days that we weren't setting up for the festival, we held our regularly scheduled programs, in addition to roller skating, folk dancing, and a trip to Ocean Park beach.

Cara J. Owen, Clerk

Gillian Gatti, Recording Clerk

81. Lisa Paulin, Clerk, read the Young Friends epistle.

YOUNG FRIENDS EPISTLE

Dear Friends Everywhere:

The major aspect of Young Friends Yearly Meeting 1980 was change. We had a new site, the University of Southern Maine in Gorham. We also had many new and different people in our group this year. Much of our leadership and strength had gone on to Young Adult Friends last year, so this Yearly Meeting we found out how well our new leaders had fared. Our general feeling was that with a lot of new Young Friends, many fresh from Junior Yearly Meeting, we have been entering into a new phase of Young Friends, with some new ideas and direction.

We had an interesting set of activities this year. With Junior Yearly Meeting celebrating its 50th anniversary Friday, the Coffee House was held on a Wednesday. The moving of our entertainment evening from Friday to Wednesday felt uncomfortable at first, but once it got underway, we all enjoyed ourselves. Bible Half Hour, as well as everything else, was enriched by the presence of Dwight and Niyonu Spann-Wilson and their family. Workshops on the draft, peacemaking and Quaker history and present state were popular among Young Friends. We express our hope that the knowledge we have gained on the past and present of our faith will enable us to work toward a productive future. A various set of night-time programs kept us occupied; we had workshops on Love and Sexuality, there were movies on individuality, spirituality and one on the physical aspects of time. Dr. Harold Burnham allowed us to ask "Everything You Always Wanted to Ask a Doctor, but Didn't Dare." We visited Ocean Park, a nearby oceanside area where New England Yearly Meeting was held for quite a few years. Physical activities such as a very popular square dance and a perpetual volley ball game kept our bodies as well as minds amused.

One major discussion was on military conscription. This concern was voiced in our support of the Yearly Meeting minute on our opposition to the draft and our support of conscientious objection and resistance to registration. We are preparing to deal with this problem for the years ahead.

All in all, we found this year's Yearly Meeting to be one of the first episodes in what we hope will be a productive volume in Young Friends' history.

Prayerfully in the Light,
Lisa Paulin, Clerk
Cynthia Muench, Recording Clerk

Epistle Committee:
Matthew Roazen
Clare O'Shea
Liz Smith

82. Miriam Brown, for the Correspondence Committee, presented the final draft of the general epistle. It was approved.

GENERAL EPISTLE

To Friends Everywhere:

New England Yearly Meeting of Friends met for the 320th time, on August 11-16, this year on the Gorham campus of the University of Southern Maine. The Gorham campus is new to us, and this seemed appropriate because we are finding so many new things among ourselves as well as in the world around us.

Over 500 Friends came together, with a more varied age range than we have known recently, more new Meetings than usual, and with a great surge of energy and purpose that seemed to reach through to our Junior Yearly Meeting members, enabling them to maintain a true Friends' silence in their times of worship. As the Juniors celebrated this year the fiftieth anniversary of our Junior Yearly Meeting, they gave promise of becoming fine adults.

We are encouraged by the movement we see in several fields. For one example, the Friends United Press is now on its own financially, and is successfully printing materials concerning, among other things, new approaches to the work of the Friends' missions overseas. For another, we find a new interest in discussing the place of Quakers in the Christian spectrum. For yet one more, our bulletin boards are overflowing with notices of activities with the American Friends Service Committee, the Friends Committee on National Legislation, Friends World Committee for Consultation, Friends United Meeting, Friends General Conference, as well as with individual Meetings.

Much of the welling up of deep concern, moving toward action, comes from our awareness of the horror of war — any war, much more nuclear war — and our determination to lead our fellow-Americans away from the delusion that military force is a true defense. Our members are finding, and being found by, many in our secular world who are soul-hungry. We must share with them the ministry we have found, which enables us to find joy, even in adversity, as we act in the spirit of love.

We are heartened by your Epistles, dear Friends, which make us know that we are not alone in a world of troubles, but a part of a living, breathing community which stretches round the world and unites with us in our longing to help bring in the Commonwealth of God.

Live up to the Light you have, and you will be given more.

Signed on behalf of New England Yearly Meeting of Friends,

Sylvia S. Perry, Presiding Clerk
Barbara W. Haddad, Recording Clerk

83. With larger attendance than in recent years, we have experienced a full and varied Yearly Meeting program, framed in music and worship, and enriched with insights shared by an unusually large number of visitors and speakers who have strengthened our ties to the world-wide body of Friends. We have enjoyed looking back over 50 years of Junior Yearly Meeting, and we have recalled and greatly missed beloved leaders no longer with us, but New England Yearly Meeting is moving forward into the 1980s with a renewed vision of the Peaceable

Kingdom, four newly organized Monthly Meetings, new Queries, and a new committee to examine the structure and needs of the Yearly Meeting.

We end our sessions at the University of Southern Maine at Gorham, purposing to meet again in the same place August 17 to 22, 1981.

SYLVIA S. PERRY, Presiding Clerk
BARBARA W. HADDAD, Recording Clerk

We hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the minutes as approved from time to time in the foregoing schedule of sessions, to the best of our knowledge and belief.

Sylvia S. Perry
Barbara W. Haddad

YEARLY MEETING PROGRAM

1980

Monday, August 11

- 2:30 P.M. Permanent Board
 3:30 Meeting for Worship
 4:30 Representatives Meeting
 7:15 Keynote Speaker: Elizabeth G. Watson, "Strike Up for a New World"
 9:00 First Night Party for All Ages

Tuesday, August 12

- 7:15 A.M. Early Morning Worship
 8:45 Bible Half Hour, Dwight Spann-Wilson, "Elias Hicks and the Bible: the Place of the Bible"
 9:30 Worship-Sharing Groups
 10:45 Business Session: Report and concerns of Ministry and Counsel, State of Society report; Quarterly Meeting concerns; Permanent Board report; Archives and Historical Records Committee
 1:30 P.M. Workshops
 3:15 Orientation for New Attenders
 Open Meetings: Ministry and Counsel, Peace and Social Concerns Committees
 3:15 Committee Meetings for Organization
 4:30 Wider Quaker Interest: American Friends Service Committee, Mary Anderson
 7:00 Informal Singing
 Business Session: Reports of Friends General Conference, Friends United Meeting, Friends World Committee for Consultation, Right Sharing of World Resources, Wider Ministries
 9:00 Representatives Meeting

Wednesday, August 13

- 7:15 A.M. Early Morning Worship
 8:45 Bible Half Hour, Dwight Spann-Wilson, "Elias Hicks and the Bible: Theology or God-Talk"
 9:30 Worship-Sharing Groups
 10:45 Business Session: Reports of Field Secretary, Statistics, Administrative Secretary, Youth Secretary, Executive Council Staff Recommendations, Young Friends, Young Adult Friends Exploratory Committee, Nominating Committee
 1:30 P.M. Workshops
 3:15 Open Meeting: Faith and Practice Revision Committee on Revised Queries
 3:15 Committee Meetings for Organization
 4:30 Wider Quaker Interest: Adam Curle on Peacemaking
 4:30-6:00 Simple Dinner, savings to foster home for Native American children on Cape Cod
 7:00 Informal Singing
 Evening Program: Thomas R. Bodine, "From Religious Sightseeing to Traveling in the Ministry"
 9:00 Young Friends Coffee House
 Hendrik van der Merwe, "Friends in South Africa"
 Committee Meetings for Organization

Thursday, August 14

- 7:15 A.M. Early Morning Worship
 8:45 Bible Half Hour, Dwight Spann-Wilson, "Elias Hicks and the Bible: Jesus the Messiah and the Man"
 9:30 Worship-Sharing Groups
 10:45 Business Session: Reports of Faith and Practice Revision Committee, Overseers of Moses Brown School, Friends Educational Needs, Minute 74, Student Loan and Scholarship, China Camp and Christian Education Committees

1:30 P.M.	Workshops
3:15	Committee Meetings for Organization
4:30	Wider Quaker Interests: Slides of FWCC 1979 Triennial Meeting; Earlham School of Religion
7:00	Informal Singing
	Business Session: Peace and Social Concerns and Sufferings Committees
9:00	Executive Council
	Square Dance for All Ages

Friday, August 15

7:15 A.M.	Early Morning Worship
8:45	Bible Half Hour , Dwight Spann-Wilson, "Elias Hicks and the Bible: the Role of Women"
9:30	Worship-Sharing Groups
10:45	Business Session: Finance Committee, Adoption of Budget, Board of Managers of Investments and Permanent Funds, Auditors and Correspondence Committee reports, Executive Council (including Long Range Planning Committee and Plans for next Yearly Meeting)
12:15 P.M.	United Society of Friends Women Luncheon
1:30	Committee Meeting for Organization
2:00	Wider Quaker Interests: Friends Committee on National Legislation; Friends World Committee for Consultation Projects
3:00	Outdoor Festival in Celebration of Junior Yearly Meeting's 50th Anniversary
7:00	Informal Singing
	Special Program in Celebration of Junior Yearly Meeting's 50th Anniversary, with Harold Tollefson, founder

Saturday, August 16

7:15 A.M.	Early Morning Worship
8:45	Bible Half Hour , Dwight Spann-Wilson, "Elias Hicks and the Bible: Heaven"
9:30	Worship-Sharing Groups
10:45	Business Session: Reports from Aging, New England Friends Home, Mosher Book and Tract Committees; Committee Concerns, Unfinished Business
1:30 P.M.	Concluding Business Session ; Epistles; Concluding Minute
2:30	Meeting for Worship
3:30	Permanent Board

WORKSHOPS

1. Dealing with fear and confusion on the brink of Armageddon.
2. Development and survival of small Meetings and Worship Groups.
3. What is a Quaker family?
4. Resources for dealing with alcohol, drug and tobacco problems.
5. The prophetic vision of the Peaceable Kingdom.
6. Quakers and Christianity.
7. Capital punishment and other justice issues.
8. Organizing for New England Peacemaking.
9. Quakerism 101: The basics of Quakerism.
10. Can Quakerism strengthen your bonds?
11. Quaker-Sharing for the 80's: Practice and prospect.

Tabulated Statement of Membership Changes in New England Yearly Meeting for the Year Ending 12-31-1979

	Gains										Losses																	
	No. of Members, 1978	Omissions last Report	Additions by Birth	Additions by Request	Addition from another Friends Meeting	Total Additions	Error in last Report	Death	Discontinuance, Resignation or Disowment	Cert. to other Frds. Mtg. Letter to another Den.	Total Loss	No. Members this Year	Net Gain	Net Loss	Number of Males	Number of Females	Number under age 25	Number over age 65	Number of Junior Mbrs.	Jr. Members Trans. to Active Membership		No. of Resident Mbrs.	No. of Non-Resident Members	Attd. at Sun. Wor. (est.)	Sojourning & Affil. Mbrs.	Part. Sun. Classes or Dis.	Reg. Weekday Meetings	Mbrs. attending Friends' Schools and Colleges
Hartford	238	0	5	5	6	16	0	0	16	4	20	234	0	4	94	140	64	43	65	1	160	74	76	0	71	5	3	
Litchfield Hills	21	0	2	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	24	3	0	10	14	11	6	9	0	21	3	18	0	7	0	0	
Middletown	35	0	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	37	2	0	16	21	9	2	8	0	21	16	20	0	10	0	0	
Mt. Toby	206	0	1	3	0	4	2	0	13	6	21	189	0	17	103	86	51	28	63	0	135	54	67	0	22	1	7	
New Haven	69	0	0	5	0	5	0	0	0	1	1	73	4	0	34	39	20	11	19	0	41	32	35	4	22	1	1	
New London	29	0	0	1	2	3	8	0	0	2	1	21	0	8	4	17	10	10	10	0	16	5	25	4	12	0	0	
Storrs	75	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	3	0	3	74	0	1	31	43	29	6	22	1	50	24	38	0	35	1	3	
Conn. Valley Q.M.	673	0	8	18	9	35	10	0	32	13	56	652	0	21	292	360	194	106	196	2	444	208	279	8	179	8	14	
Concord	20	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	21	1	0	7	14	0	2	0	0	20	1	15	0	8	1	0	
Dover	113	0	0	0	0	0	4	1	0	0	5	108	0	5	41	67	16	27	18	0	74	34	54	2	30	0	3	
Weare	54	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	54	0	0	25	29	5	19	0	0	26	28	8	0	0	0	0	
Dover Q.M.	187	0	0	0	1	1	4	1	0	0	5	183	0	4	73	110	21	48	18	0	120	63	77	2	38	1	3	
Durham	135	2	0	2	1	5	0	0	0	0	1	139	4	0	52	87	30	35	31	0	85	54	50	0	26	2	1	
Parsonsfield	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	0	0	16	14	2	6	0	0	17	13	4	0	0	0	0	
Portland	76	0	0	2	0	2	3	1	0	0	4	74	0	2	25	49	11	26	11	0	56	18	30	0	20	2	0	
Sandwich	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	0	2	6	0	7	0	0	3	5	25	0	0	0	0	
Windham	46	0	0	4	0	4	1	0	0	0	1	49	3	0	14	35	0	16	0	0	49	0	35	0	38	0	0	
Falmouth Q.M.	295	2	0	8	1	11	4	1	0	1	6	300	5	0	109	191	43	90	42	0	210	90	144	0	84	4	1	
Bennington	32	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	31	0	1	12	19	4	8	4	0	18	13	12	0	0	2	0	
Burlington	50	0	0	1	3	4	0	1	1	0	2	52	2	0	23	29	9	7	9	1	27	25	29	0	10	0	0	
Hanover	99	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	99	0	0	46	53	35	15	34	0	63	36	55	0	20	1	1	
Middlebury	19	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	1	0	1	20	1	0	7	13	3	4	0	0	18	2	18	1	0	0	0	
Monadnock	39	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	39	0	0	20	19	6	5	6	0	24	15	12	0	0	0	0	
Plainfield	39	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	2	3	37	0	2	15	22	22	1	22	1	20	17	18	0	15	0	0	
Putney	19	2	0	1	4	7	0	1	1	2	4	22	3	0	6	16	0	3	0	0	19	3	12	0	0	0	0	
So. Starksboro	11	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	0	0	5	6	0	4	0	0	0	11	15	0	0	0	0	
Wilderness	15	0	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	17	2	0	8	9	3	0	3	0	17	0	16	0	0	0	0	
Northwest Q.M.	323	2	0	6	8	16	2	2	3	4	11	328	5	0	142	186	82	47	78	2	206	122	187	1	35	3	1	

Providence	194	0	2	1	0	3	1	2	0	0	0	3	194	0	0	99	95	47	37	51	0	116	78	58	0	13	0	5
Smithfield	64	0	1	1	0	2	0	1	0	0	1	65	1	0	26	39	3	29	1	1	41	24	15	0	13	0	0	
Westerly	31	0	0	2	0	2	0	1	2	0	0	3	30	0	1	13	17	0	7	0	0	19	11	15	0	15	1	
R.I.-Smithfield Q.M.	289	0	3	4	0	7	1	4	2	0	0	7	289	0	0	138	151	50	73	52	1	176	113	88	0	41	1	
Acton	39	1	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	5	0	5	36	0	3	18	18	15	5	17	0	20	16	15	0	15	0	
Amesbury	8	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	9	1	0	3	6	2	2	0	0	5	4	12	0	0	1	0	
Cambridge	678	0	7	10	6	23	1	6	14	40	0	61	640	0	38	270	370	164	79	153	0	426	214	340	9	89	3	
Frammingham	0	0	0	0	32	32	0	0	0	0	0	32	32	0	21	11	10	1	10	0	31	1	51	0	27	0	1	
Lawrence	56	0	0	1	0	1	1	2	0	0	0	3	54	0	2	21	33	2	19	2	0	26	28	15	1	15	1	
Lynn	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	30	0	0	9	21	2	20	2	0	20	10	6	0	0	0	
Wellesley	163	0	1	3	1	5	0	1	0	1	0	2	166	3	0	60	106	59	18	70	0	116	50	70	2	30	1	
Salem Q.M.	974	1	9	15	39	64	2	9	14	46	0	71	967	0	7	402	565	254	144	254	0	644	323	509	12	176	6	
Allen's Neck	87	0	2	6	0	8	0	0	0	5	0	5	90	3	0	31	59	18	26	16	6	67	23	40	5	35	2	
Dartmouth	94	1	0	2	4	7	0	1	0	0	0	1	100	6	0	39	61	14	16	7	0	92	8	25	1	25	2	
Marion	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	0	0	3	11	1	4	4	0	14	0	7	0	4	0	0	
New Bedford	54	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	53	0	1	23	30	0	31	0	0	21	32	16	0	0	2	
N. Dartmouth	42	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	43	1	0	21	22	9	7	9	0	21	22	6	1	0	0	0	
Sandwich	104	0	4	2	1	7	0	0	3	1	0	4	107	3	0	46	61	29	33	26	0	76	31	51	1	16	0	
Swansea	83	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	83	0	0	41	42	12	9	0	0	41	42	20	4	12	0	
Westport	82	0	1	0	0	1	0	2	8	0	0	10	73	0	9	27	46	12	33	13	0	49	24	22	0	10	0	
Sandwich Q.M.	560	1	8	10	5	24	0	4	11	6	0	21	563	3	0	231	332	95	159	75	6	381	182	187	12	102	6	
Acadia	13	11	0	0	0	11	0	0	0	0	0	0	24	11	0	12	13	2	11	0	24	0	22	0	36	1	0	
China	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	22	0	0	5	17	0	14	0	0	9	13	25	0	1	0	
Cobscok	6	0	0	3	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	3	0	4	5	2	0	0	0	8	1	10	0	0	0	
Midcoast	39	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	4	1	0	5	35	0	4	14	21	8	12	7	0	26	9	24	0	4	0	
Narramissic Valley	0	0	1	7	5	13	0	0	0	0	0	13	13	0	7	6	2	0	0	0	0	13	0	10	4	0	1	
North Fairfield	27	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	0	3	24	0	3	7	17	1	13	0	0	13	11	15	0	7	1	
Oak Grove	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	3	0	1	0	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	3	6	0	0	0	
Orono	24	0	4	4	1	9	0	0	0	2	0	2	31	7	0	13	18	10	6	5	0	13	11	15	0	7	1	
Vassalboro	69	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	68	0	1	33	35	13	12	0	0	43	25	30	0	6	0	
Winthrop	95	0	0	1	0	1	8	0	2	0	0	10	86	0	9	26	60	4	35	0	0	60	26	25	0	3	0	
Vassalboro Q.M.	299	11	5	15	7	38	8	3	7	3	1	22	315	16	0	121	194	53	96	23	0	222	93	182	4	64	4	
*Worcester-Pleasant St.	97	0	0	3	2	5	0	2	2	2	0	6	96	0	1	38	58	1	0	0	0	62	34	30	0	20	0	0
Totals	3697	17	33	79	72	201	31	26	71	75	2	205	3693	0	4	1546	2147	793	763	738	11	2465	1228	1683	49	739	33	43

* Worcester-Pleasant Street, a united Monthly Meeting, not listed under either former Q.M.

DIRECTORY OF MEETINGS

Direct Correspondence to Clerk or Pastor

CONNECTICUT VALLEY QUARTERLY MEETING

Ruth Woodbridge, Clerk. Held on the third weekend in October and the first weekends in February and May. In October at Worcester-Pleasant Street, in February in West Hartford, in May at Litchfield Hills. Hours of meeting vary. Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Counsel at the call of Clerk of the Quarter.

Meeting	Location	Sunday Worship	Sunday Study	Business Meeting	Clerk, Corres., Pastor
Hartford Mo. Meeting	144 S. Quaker Lane, West Hartford, CT 06119	10:00	11:00	3rd Thursday, 7:30	Theodore Paulin, Clerk
Litchfield Hills Monthly Mtg.	Community House, Woodbury, CT	10:00		1st Sunday, 11:00	Susan Kohout, Clerk
Middletown Mo. Meeting	Russell House, Cor. Washington and High Sts., Middletown, CT	10:00	10:00	3rd Sunday, homes of mem- bers, 7:30	Walter Morris, Clerk
Mt. Toby Mo. Meeting	Rte. 63, two miles into Leverett from Amherst, MA. Mail: RFD 3, Amherst 01002	11:00 10:00 June-Aug.	9:30	4th Friday, 7:30	Helen Holmes, Clerk
Berkshire All'd. Meeting	Home of Lester Clarke, Rt. 102, South Lee, MA	11:00			Lester Clarke, Corres.
Greenfield Prep. Meeting	Home of Bruce Hawkins, 61 Henshaw Ave., Northampton, MA	10:00 except 4th Sunday			Fritz Kaufhold, Trustee
Northampton Worship Group	Faculty Room, Conn. Hall, Old Campus, Yale U., New Haven, CT	9:45	9:45 11:00 1st Sun., Seeker's Session	2nd Sunday, 11:00	Bruce Hawkins, Corres.
New Haven Mo. Meeting	Thames Science Center, Gallows Lane, New London, CT 06320	10:00	11:00	3rd Sunday, 11:00	Lesley Higgins, Clerk
New London Monthly Mtg.	57 Hunting Lodge Rd., Storrs, CT 06268	10:00	2nd & 4th Sundays		Bettie Chu, Clerk
Storrs Monthly Meeting	901 Pleasant St., Worcester, MA 01612	11:00		3rd Sunday, 11:15	Nancy Hewlett-Romer, Clerk
Worcester-Pleasant St. Mo. Mtg.				2nd Sunday, 1:00	Margaret Angell, Clerk

DOVER QUARTERLY MEETING

Katherine Mulhern, Clerk. Held on the fourth Saturday in October in Gonic, fourth Sunday in April in Dover, and the fourth Saturday in August in Weare (Henniker Meeting House). Worship at 11:00 a.m.; luncheon at noon; 1:00 p.m. business and program; except Dover where worship is at 10:30.

Meeting	Location	Sunday Worship	Sunday Study	Business Meeting	Clerk, Corres., Pastor
Concord Monthly Mtg.	Merrimack Valley Day Care Ctr., 19 N. Fruit St. (near corner of Pleasant St.), Concord, NH	10:00		2nd Sunday, after worship	Judy Chynoweth, Clerk
Dover Monthly Meeting	Consult Clerk for place of Business Meeting (alternates Dover & Gonic)			Sunday before Q.M., following Worship; or at call of Clerk	Shirley Leslie, Clerk
Dover Prep. Meeting	141 Central Ave., Dover, NH 03820 (mail to P.O. Box 98)	10:30	10:45	2nd Sunday, except July & August	Lydia Willits, Clerk
Gonic Prep. Meeting	Maple Street, Gonic, NH	10:30		1st Sunday, 11:45	Edith Teague, Clerk
West Epping Prep. Mtg.	Friend St., off Old Rt. 101, West Epping, NH	10:30		2nd Wed., 6:30	Fritz Bell, Clerk
Souhegan Worship Group	Red Brick School house just off Town Common, Amherst, NH	1st & 3rd Sundays 9:30			Paul Barton, Corres.
Weare Monthly Meeting	Federated Church, North Weare, NH	9:45 except 11:00 July & August		1st Friday, homes of members, 8:00	Henry T. Osborne, Clerk
Henniker Mtg. for Worship	Henniker, NH	10:30			Henry T. Osborne, Corres.
Pittsfield Mtg. for Worship	Pittsfield, NH	2nd & 4th Sundays 10:30, 3rd Sunday in August			Henry T. Osborne, Corres.
Unity Meeting for Worship	Quaker City, 7 miles south of Claremont, NH	11:00 1st Sunday in August			Henry T. Osborne, Corres.

FALMOUTH QUARTERLY MEETING

Ramona L. Moore, Clerk. Held on the last Saturday or Sunday in January, April, and October and the fourth in August. The last Saturday in October at Windham; worship and program at 10:30, business meeting at 1:00. Other times and places to be set there. Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Counsel at call of Clerk of Quarterly Meeting.

Meeting	Location	Sunday Worship	Sunday Study	Business Meeting	Clerk, Corres., Pastor
Durham Monthly Meeting	Rt. 125 between Freeport and Lisbon Falls, Durham, Maine	10:00	11:00	3rd Wed., 7:30	Margaret Wentworth, Clerk Ralph D. Greene, Pastor
Lewiston Monthly Meeting	Alumni House, Bates College, 31 Frye St., Lewiston, ME	10:00	10:15	1st Sunday, after Worship	Richard Wagner, Clerk
Parsonsfield Mo. Meeting	East Parsonsfield, ME	Contact Clerk		Call of Clerk	Dorothy Bickford, Clerk
Portland Friends Meeting	1837 Forest Ave., Portland, ME	10:45 except 10:00 1st Sunday; 9:30 summer	10:00	1st Sunday, after Worship	Tracy Booth, Clerk
Sandwich Monthly Meeting	North Sandwich, NH	10:30 July & August		Call of Clerk	Marion I. Spaulding, Clerk
Windham Monthly Meeting	Route 202, Windham, Certor, ME	9:00	10:30	3rd Sunday, after Worship	Kathryn Forbes, Clerk Kingsley Strout, Pastor

NORTHWEST QUARTERLY MEETING

Frances Ross, Clerk. Held at Farm and Wilderness Foundation, Plymouth, Vermont, September 6-7, 1980, Burlington, host; Hanover, NH, December 6; Monadnock, assisted by Keene, March 7; Farm and Wilderness Foundation, June 6-7, Middlebury, host. Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Counsel at 4:00 p.m., September 6 and June 6; 8:00 p.m., December 5 and March 6; Edmund and Kathryn Youtz Wright, Clerks.

Meeting	Location	Sunday Worship	Sunday Study	Business Meeting	Clerk, Corres., Pastor
Bennington Monthly Mtg.	Monument Elementary School, W. Main St., Bennington, VT (Mail to Box 221, Bennington 05201)	10:30		Call of Clerk	Marie P. Condon, Clerk

Burlington Monthly Meeting	Back of 179 N. Prospect St., Burlington, VT	11:00	1st Sunday, after Worship (may vary) Clerk	John Chamberlain, Clerk
Hanover Monthly Meeting	29 Rope Ferry Rd., Hanover, NH 03755	10:45	2nd Sunday, 1:00	Patricia Higgins, Clerk
Keene Monthly Meeting	Hildebrandt Home, 97 Wilbur St., Keene, NH; phone 357-0796	10:30		Susan Norlander and Peg Lepage, Clerks
Middlebury Monthly Mtg.	Shannon Street School, Middlebury, VT	10:00	3rd Sunday, after Worship	Jean Rosenberg, Clerk
Monsadnock Monthly Meeting	Library Hall, Peterborough, NH	10:45	3rd Sunday, after Worship	Ruth Herman, Clerk
Plainfield Monthly Mtg.	Kellogg-Hubbard Library, Montpelier, VT; Summer, in homes	9:45 May-Oct. 10:30	3rd Sunday, after Worship	Charles and Wynne Browne, Clerks
Putney Monthly Meeting	The Grammar School, Hickory Ridge Rd., Putney, VT	10:30	3rd Sunday, after Worship	Claire Wilson, Clerk
Sheldon Worship Group	Home of Richard & Doris Strife, Sheldon, VT	2:00 1st Sunday		Richard Strife, Corres.
S. Starksboro Monthly Mtg.	1 mile east of Bristol, Starksboro, VT	10:30 2nd & 4th Sundays, June-October	Call of Clerk	Christopher White, Clerk
Wilderness Monthly Mtg.	N. entrance Farm & Wilderness Camps, Plymouth, VT	10:30	1st Sunday, after Worship	Kate K. Brinton, Clerk

RHODE ISLAND-SMITHFIELD QUARTERLY MEETING

William Penhallow, Clerk. At South Uxbridge, Rt. 146, under the care of Smithfield, October 25, 1980; third Saturday in April, 1981 at Providence; third Saturday in July, 1981 at Westerly. Meeting for Worship at 11:00 a.m., meeting for business at 1:30. Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Counsel at call of Clerk.

Meeting	Location	Sunday Worship	Sunday Study	Business Meeting	Clerk, Corres., Pastor
North Easton Monthly Mtg.	At homes, Friends Community, North Easton, MA	11:00		1st Thursday	Eunice Smith, Clerk
Providence Monthly Mtg.	99 Morris Ave., Providence, RI	11:00	10:00	2nd Sunday, 1:30, except August	W. Richard Ristow, Clerk
Conanicut Worship Group	Jamestown, RI	10:30 June-September			Deborah Lutman, Sec.
Saylesville Prep. Meeting	Great Road, Lincoln, RI			Last Sunday, after Worship	Pamela Dahlberg, Clerk

Smithfield Monthly Mtg.	126 Smithfield Rd., Woonsocket, RI	11:00	10:00	Last Sunday, after Worship	Bessie Ewen, Clerk Laurel Sakariason, Pastor
Westerly Monthly Meeting	57 Elm Street, Westerly, RI	11:00		Last Sunday, 12:00	Alice C. Wills, Clerk
Worcester-Pleasant Street Mo. Mtg.	901 Pleasant St., Worcester, MA	10:30 June-September 11:00		2nd Sunday, 1:00	Margaret Angell, Clerk
SALEM QUARTERLY MEETING					
Meeting	Location	Sunday Worship	Sunday Study	Business Meeting	Hill Friends House, Boston, 10:00 A.M.
Acton Monthly Meeting	Harvey Wheeler Community Center, cor. Main & Church Sts., W. Concord, MA	10:00	11:00	1st Sunday, 11:00	Clerk, Corres., Pastor Elizabeth Muench, Clerk
Amesbury Monthly Mtg.	In homes; contact Clerk	2:30 Wednesday		1st Wed., Sept.- June	Dorothy Jean Averill, Clerk Barbara Hildt, Corres.
Amesbury Worship Group	Junction Friend & Greenleaf Sts., Amesbury, MA, mid-April- October; November-mid-April, contact Corres.	10:00			
Cambridge Monthly Mtg.	5 Longfellow Park, Cambridge, MA 02138	9:30 & 11:00 10:00 summer	9:30	2nd Thursday, 7:30	James Nicholson, Clerk Neil Allen, Resident
Boston Mtg. for Worship	Beacon Hill Friends House, 6 Chestnut St., Boston, MA 02108	11:00 10:00 summer	10:00	3rd Sunday, after Worship	Anne Kriebel, Corres.
Circuit Prep. Meeting	40 Pond Rd., Jamaica Plain, MA 02130; phone 522-3745	5:00 6:00 Wed., summer		1st Sunday, 4:00	William King, Clerk
Hingham Mtg. for Worship	New England Friends Home, 86 Turkey Hill Lane, Hingham, MA 02043	10:30			Harry Barron, Corres.
North Shore Prep. Mtg.	Library, Gordon College, Wenham, MA	10:30		1st Sunday, 11:30	Rick McCabe, Clerk
Pembroke Mtg. for Worship	Junction Rts. 139 & 53, N. Pembroke, MA	Contact Corres.			Richard Archer, Corres.
Framingham Monthly Mtg.	841 Edmands Rd., Framingham, MA	10:00		3rd Sunday, after Worship	Donald G. Fowke, Clerk

Lawrence Monthly Meeting	45 Avon St., Lawrence, MA	11:00	10:00	1st Wed., 7:30, Oct., Dec., Feb., April, May, June Call of Clerk	Ruth H. Mellor, Clerk
Lynn Monthly Meeting	72 Sillsbee Street, off Broad St., Lynn, MA	11:00			Richard S. Gove, Clerk
Wellesley Mo. Meeting	26 Benvenue Street, Wellesley, MA 02181	10:30	10:45	2nd Thurs., 8:00	Martha Gordon, Clerk
SANDWICH QUARTERLY MEETING					
Albert & Sylvia Bigelow, Clerks. Held on the third Saturday in October, January, April, and July. In October, 1980, at Sandwich; January 1981 at Mattapoisett; April at Allen's Neck; July at Westport. Worship and business after lunch. Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Counsel at call of Clerk, Doris Ashley.					
Allen's Neck Monthly Mtg.		Sunday Worship	Sunday Study	Business Meeting	Clerk, Corres., Pastor
	Horseneck Rd., Dartmouth, MA	9:45	11:00	4th Wed., 8:00	Wilfred Morrison, Clerk
Dartmouth Monthly Mtg.	Smith Neck Road, South Dartmouth, MA	10:00	9:00	1st Wed., 7:30	Tricia Sittig, Executive Secretary
Aponegansett Mtg. for Worship	Aponegansett, near Russells Mills, Dartmouth, MA	9:00			Martha Elsaesser, Clerk
Marion Monthly Meeting	Tabor Academy, Spring Street, Marion, MA	July & August 10:00	10:00	1st Tues., 4:30	Don E. Stanley, Pastor
New Bedford Monthly Mtg.				2nd Sunday, 2:00; Mar. & Sept. at New Bedford; June & Dec. at Mattapoisett	S. W. Randolph, Jr. Clerk
	Spring Street, New Bedford, MA	11:00		Call of Clerk	Cynthia J. Power, Clerk
New Bedford Prep. Mtg.				3rd Sun., April, Oct., 12:00 at Mattapoisett;	Pamela Humphrey, Clerk
Long Plain Prep. Meeting	Main Street, Acushnet, MA				

Mattapoissett Part. Mtg.	Route 6, 8 miles east of New Bedford, MA	11:00	3rd Wed., July, 5:30 at Long Plain Pastor	George A. Robinson,
North Dartmouth Monthly Mtg.	265 State Road (Rt. 6, between Old Westport & Tucker Rds.), North Dartmouth, MA	11:00	1st Sunday, after Worship	Ruth Heath, Clerk
Sandwich Monthly Meeting			1st Sunday, even months	Edith Browne, Clerk
Sandwich Prep. Meeting	Off Rt. 6A, East Sandwich, MA	11:00		David Douglas, Corres.
Yarmouth Prep. Meeting	58 N. Main St., South Yarmouth, MA	10:00	Last Sunday, after Worship	Barbara Day, Clerk
West Falmouth Prep. Mtg.	West Falmouth, MA	11:00	Last Sunday	Dorothy Turkington, Clerk
Swansea Monthly	Prospect St., Somerset, MA 1 mile north of Route 6	9:30	Call of Clerk	Dorothy F. Williamson, Clerk
				Ellsworth B. MacAffee, Pastor
Westport Monthly Meeting	Main Road, Central Village, Westport, MA	10:45	2nd Sunday, after Worship	Stewart Kirkaldy, Clerk
		7:30 PM		Jean Kennison, Secretary

VASSALBORO QUARTERLY MEETING

Robert Cates, Clerk. Held on the first Saturday in November, February, May, and second Saturday in August. In November 1980, Acadia, Cobscook, and Narramissic Valley, hosts; February at Vassalboro, May at Midcoast, August in South China. Worship at 11:00 a.m., business meeting at 1:00. Quarterly Meeting on Ministry and Counsel at call of Clerk, David Davis.

Meeting	Location	Sunday Worship	Sunday Study	Business Meeting	Clerk, Corres., Pastor
Acadia Monthly Meeting	29 Mt. Desert St., Bar Harbor, ME	6:30 P.M. 7:00 July & August		3rd Friday, every other month, Jan., etc., 7:30	Melba Wilson, Clerk
China Monthly Meeting	Worship under care of Community Fellowship Church, South China, ME, off Route 202	10:00	11:15	Wed. after 2nd Thurs., 8:00	Marion E. Jones, Clerk

Brooksville-Deer Isle Worship Group	Homes of Members	11:00	1st Sunday, after Worship (may vary)	Ernest Weed, Corres.
Caribou Worship Group	Homes of Members	Contact Corres.	Cheryl Herr-Rains, Corres.	
Cobscook Monthly Meeting	Home of Harry & Audrey Snyder, Tamarack Farm, Rte. 189, Whiting, ME	10:00	2nd Sunday, after Worship	Ralph E. Cook, Clerk
Midcoast Monthly Meeting	Skidompha Library, Main Street, Damariscotta, ME	10:00	3rd Friday, homes of members, 7:30	Chouteau Chapin, Clerk
Narramissic Valley Monthly Meeting	Home of David Davis, River Rd., Orland, ME	10:00	2nd Friday, homes of members, 6:00	David L. Davis, Clerk
North Fairfield Monthly Meeting	Rt. 104, 2½ mi. north of Fairfield Center, North Fairfield, ME	10:30	3rd Sunday, 1:30	John S. Taylor, Clerk Leroy Austin, Pastor Dan Fredricks, Corres.
Oak Grove Monthly Meeting	Oak Grove-Coburn School, Vassalboro, ME	7:00		
Orono Monthly Meeting	Maine Christian Association, College Ave., Orono, ME	10:00	2nd Sunday, 7:30	Daryle V. Carter, Clerk
Vassalboro Monthly Meeting	Upper Pleasant Street, East Vassalboro, ME	10:00	2nd Sunday, after Worship	Edna R. Cates, Clerk
Winthrop Monthly Meeting	Rt. 135, 4 miles east of Winthrop, Winthrop Center, ME	9:00 10:00	1st Sunday, after Worship	David Farr, Clerk Gordon Harris, Pastor

FRIENDS MEETINGS IN NEW ENGLAND BELONGING TO OTHER YEARLY MEETINGS

Meeting	Location	Sunday Worship	Clerk or Corres.
Housatonic Monthly Meeting (NY)	Rt. 7, New Milford, CT	10:00	Clerk, Box 43, New Milford, CT 06776
Monkton Ridge Monthly Meeting (NY)	Monkton Ridge, VT	9:45	Jessie Thomas, Clerk
Newport, RI (EFC-ER)	70 Bliss Mine Rd., Middletown, RI	11:00	Ernest Briggs, Clerk
Portsmouth, RI (EFC-ER)	Middle Road at Hedley St., Portsmouth, RI	11:00	Elizabeth Nutt, Clerk
Stamford-Greenwich Monthly Meeting (NY)	572 Roxbury Rd., at Westover Rd., near Den Rd. exit of Merritt Pkwy, Stamford, CT	10:00	George Peck, Clerk
Wilton Monthly Meeting (NY)	317 New Canaan Road, Wilton, CT	10:00	Morrie Ross, Clerk

OTHER FRIENDS MEETINGS FOR WORSHIP IN NEW ENGLAND

Location	Hour of Worship	Contact Person
Adams, MA, Maple & Friend Sts.	First Sunday in September, 3:00	Marjorie Bellman
Casco, Maine, Quaker Ridge	Each Sunday, July-August, 10:30	Betsy Maxfield Miller
Center Sandwich, NH, Various Homes	Second Sunday, October-June, 5:00	Elizabeth Chalmers
Little Compton, RI, West Main Road	Fourth Sunday in August, 3:00	Carlton Brownell
Nantucket, MA	June 15-Sept. 15, Meeting House on Fair St., 10:45; Sept. 15-June 15, Library of Maria Mitchell Library Association on Vestal St., 10:30	Renny A. Stackpole
Newport, RI, Cor. Farewell & Marlborough Streets	May-September, 1st and 3rd Sundays, 10:00	Esther Fisher Benson
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Dartmouth	Elliot D. Howland	Seventh Month 11
Dover (Gonic)	George Springfield	
Lawrence	Ethel Batty Wilkinson	First Month 27
	Ethel Robertshaw Peacock	Third Month 27
New Bedford	Howard C. Wilbur	Sixth Month 16
North Fairfield	Carl L. Stevens	Fifth Month 3
	Roy Cannon	Eighth Month 17
Portland	Barbara Woodbury	Twelfth Month 3
Providence	Ernest Anthony Snow	Ninth Month 27
	Mary Harkness White Flagg	Tenth Month 20
Putney	Walter Hendricks	Eighth Month
Smithfield	Nellie Fisher	Eleventh Month 25
Wellesley	Allen W. Eister	Third Month 22
Westport	Evangelos Vaphiades	Fourth Month 8
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